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Port Almanac—December 16.

Sun Rises	7.04 A M
Sun Sets	4 48 P M
Day's Length	9 h 44 m
High Water at Southport	4.03 A M
High Water at Wilmington	5.46 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec 16.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature; 8 a. m., 55°; 8 p. m., 44°; maximum, 66°; minimum, 44°; mean, 50°.

Rainfall for the day, .63; rainfall since 1st of month up to date, 3 06.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 15.—At 8 a. m. the stage of water in the Cape Fear river was 7 0 feet

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina—Showers in the early morning, followed by fair weather; continued cool, northwesterly winds.

For South Carolina—Fair during the day with continued cold northwesterly winds.

OUTLINES.

Mr. Morgan spoke for over an hour in the Senate on the Cuban situation; the resolution requesting the President to communicate papers relating to the condition of affairs in Cuba was agreed to; the House spent the day in considering the bill to amend the postal law relating to second class matter. ——At Sneedville, Tenn., Maired Hatfield, nineteen years of age, will be executed for murder, and trouble is feared, as his friends threaten to release him. ——The Mayor of Charleston invites President Cleveland to visit that city before he returns to Washington. ——The right to appoint a successor to Senator Blackburn is claimed by Gov. Bradley, of Kentucky. ——Advices received in Madrid are to the effect that the revolution in the Philippine Island is spreading and that risings are imminent in the Caroline and Marrannes Islands. ——Frank Gannon, general manager of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Company and one of the general superintendents of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, will become third vice president and general manager of the Southern Railway in January. ——The North Carolina Supreme Court has acquitted Enrolling Clerk Brown of the charge of fraudulently enrolling the "Assignment Act." ——Spanish officials deny the assassination of Maceo and claim that he was killed in battle. ——The lower section of Norfolk, Va., was under water to a depth of from six to twelve inches as the effect of the storm which prevailed along the coast yesterday. ——The Republicans need two votes in the Senate to pass a tariff act and hope to secure those two votes from Kentucky and North Carolina. ——Rumors are current in Madrid that the Government is dissatisfied with General Weyler's administration of affairs and that if the situation in Cuba does not shortly improve he will be removed. ——A conference of lumbermen was held in Cincinnati for the purpose of devising ways and means for securing National tariff legislation favoring lumber interests. ——A murderer in Rich county, Utah, was executed by being shot to death, he having chosen to die in that manner. ——It is estimated that North Texas could furnish from 5,000 to 10,000 men on short notice for service in Cuba, if equipment and transportation could be furnished. ——The Board of Aldermen of New York city will petition Congress to stop the barbarities and inhumanities of the Spaniards in Cuba. ——New York markets: Money on call was easy at 1½@2 per cent., last loan at 1½ per cent., closing offered at 1½ per cent.; cotton quiet; middling gulf —c, middling 7 3 16c; Southern flour dull and steady, common to fair extra $3 00@3 55, good to choice $3 55@3 85; wheat—spot active and easier with options; ungraded red 80@99c; corn, spot active and firm; No. 2 29¼c at elevator and 30¼c afloat; rosin quiet—strained common to good $1 80@1 82½; spirits turpentine easy at 26¾@27½.

Ex-President Harrison says he doesn't want to be Senator, and wouldn't be if they elected him and threw a chromo in. He is having fun enough and all the solid comforts he is hankering for in private life.

While Rev. Parkhurst, of New York, was pitching into Bryan and denouncing him in Parkhurstian style, it was all right with the organs in Gotham, but since he pitched into the Trusts in one of his sermons the organs are pitching into him.

Isn't it the most baldfaced fraud imaginable to be talking about paying national debts in gold when the national debts amount to nearly $26,000,000,000 and the whole stock of coined gold in the world isn't much over $4,000,000,000?

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES of Subscription to THE MORNING STAR:

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The Mobile *Register* congratulates its readers on the arrival of a number of Northern capitalists who are examining the lumber business of the Southern States with a view to large investments in this section. It is a good thing to see money coming into the South, but in cases like this more goes out than comes in, and we doubt in the long run whether it is really a cause for congratulation.

It is said that the object of ex-Queen Liliuokalani's unexpected visit to this country is to see the powers that be at Washington, and endeavor to get them to restore her to her throne. This is a wild goose chase, and Mr. Cleveland takes a great deal more interest in wild ducks than he does in wild geese or goose ex Queens.

Commenting on Senator Wolcott's resolution for the appointment of a committee to prepare the way for an international monetary congress, the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* remarks on the "bimetallic ghost." The "ghost" seems to be exciting the gold organs considerably these days.

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin* writes that the Republicans in Congress are showing a more friendly spirit towards banking reform. If they don't want to hear something fall a couple of years from now, they will move on that line.

It is said that General Rivera, who succeeds Maceo as commander of the Cuban army in Pinar del Rio, is a better strategist, and a man of greater military capacity than Maceo, so that Maceo's death does not deprive that army of a competent commander.

Editor A. K. McClure, of the Philadelphia *Times*, had his fiftieth editorial birthday party last Wednesday. He has been in the harness for fifty years and when he began in the rural districts he was editor, manager, canvasser, compositor, printer, devil and several other things.

The last heir to a great English estate and a big pile of money in the Bank of England has been found in Hannibal, Mo. They keep on finding the heirs but the estate and the cash remain *in statu quo* in the letters of the schemers who invent them.

As a solution of the Cuban problem Mr. Daniel R. Goodloe suggests in the Raleigh *News and Observer* that the Cubans buy Cuba, and the United States guarantee the interest. But Spain is too poor to keep, and to proud and too mad just now to sell.

According to marine statistics the seas swallow annually about 2,000 sailing vessels and about 12,000 men go down into Davy Jones' locker.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MERCER & EVANS—Shoes.
CLYDE LINE—Sailing days.
PETERSON & RULFS—Holiday gifts.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

WANTED—Employment.
KEELER & KIRKPATRICK—Wanted.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Mr. Benjamin Potter, an old citizen of Brunswick county, died last Thursday, in the 76th year of his age.

— The northwest storm signal was displayed yesterday at 10.30 a. m. The storm was then central off the Carolina coast, moving northeast.

— There will be a change in the Kirmess programme to-night. The Japanese Titipu Quadrille by thirty-two little Japs, will be on the bill.

— To-night at Fifth Street Methodist Church Rev. Mr. Cunninggim will give an account of the proceedings of the annual conference just closed at Kinston. The members of the church and others are invited to be present.

— Mrs. A. J. Mercer, of Brunswick county, mother of Mrs. Newkirk, who died Monday, was a constant attendant at the bedside of her daughter during the latter's last illness, and was also at the funeral. Mrs. Mercer is 74 years of age and is still in good health.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. W. H. Townsend, of Whiteville, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. Vinton Liddell, of Charlotte, was an arrival in this city yesterday.

— Miss Susie Wilson, of Atlanta, Ga., was with the Fayetteville party last evening.

— Mr. L. L. Jenkins and wife, of Gastonia, N. C., were among yesterday's hotel registrations.

— Col. S. B. Taylor, of Catherine Lake, was in the city yesterday, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Lucy Taylor.

— Col. John D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court, who has been North for some time, under treatment by a specialist for cataract, returned home last evening, his eyesight much improved.

— Rev. W. C. Norman, formerly pastor of Grace M. E. church but now of Raleigh, arrived in the city yesterday and will preach at Grace church to night. Mr. Norman, while here, is the guest of Mr. T. G. Craft.

— The following, delegates to the Methodist Conference, held in Kinston, have returned: Col. Roger Moore and Mr. Wm. E. Springer from Grace church, and Mr. Funches from Fifth Street church. Also, Rev. R. A. Willis, Rev. T. H. Sutton, Rev. W. L. Cunninggim and Rev. T. J. Browning.

— The following out-of-town merchants were here yesterday making business calls: Messrs. E. H. Morton, Verona; D. L. Herring, Tomahaw; E. J. Batson, Edgecombe. Other arrivals were Messrs. C. F. Merony, N. C.; C. M. Gilbert, Savannah, Ga.; J. M. Leach, N. C., and G. S. Bixby, N. C.

AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Proceedings at the Meeting of the Board Held Yesterday.

The Board of Audit and Finance met yesterday in regular session. Present, Messrs. Wm. Calder (chairman), H. C. McQueen and C. H. Ganzer.

The Board concurred in the appropriation of $149, or such part of this amount as may be necessary for the purchase of brick to be used in repairing sidewalks on Nutt street, between Campbell and Brunswick, but the money not to be available until provision is made to drain water from the sidewalk.

The Board concurred in the amendment to the tax ordinance for 1896, fixing the license tax on sale stables at $60 per annum, payable quarterly in advance.

In the matter of an appropriation of $250 to repair or renew the sewerage system in the guard house, as recommended by the Superintendent of Health, it was suggested that full estimates be taken and submitted to this Board showing the exact cost of remedying the bad system of sewerage in the guard house, and suggesting also that the system of sewerage in the Opera House be examined and corrected if necessary at the same time.

Coupons, 488 in number and aggregating $9 452 50, which had been paid, were burned by the Board.

The clerk exhibited statement of his examination of the treasurer's books for November, showing cash on hand, November 1st, $4,078 10; receipts during the month, $24 874 20; disbursements, $18 660.47. Cash on hand, December 1st, $10,891 84.

The Board approved the following transfers: From general fund to bond account, $5 000; coupon account, $19,875, to meet bonds and coupons due January 1, 1897.

Bills were audited and approved as follows: For current expenses, $1,036.47; Wilmington Light Infantry annual appropriation, $500; notes, $9 405; interest, $43 89; refunded poll tax, $19.80.

The Board then adjourned.

Fayetteville People in Town.

Last night being "Fayetteville night" at the Kirmess, there was a large delegation from that city. A complete list of the visitors could not be obtained, among them were: Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Jennings, Mr. W. G. Moore, Mr. Frank Douglass, Mr. J. C. Gorham, Mr. I. P. Overbaugh, Mr. L. B. Hall, Dr. H. W. Lilly, Mr. H. M. Pemberton, Mr. J. B. Underwood, Jr. Mr. George Underwood, Mr. James Kyle, Mr. J. A. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Burns, Mr. O. S. Whiteman, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Weeden, Mrs. W. G. Hall, Mrs. N. B. Alexander, Miss Mamie Alexander, Miss Carrie Hawley, Miss Mable Elliott, Mr. Ed. Page, Col. Jno. A. Pemberton. Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Taylor.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—224 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 46 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—824 bales cotton, 23 casks spirits turpentine, 95 bbls rosin, 46 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—263 bales cotton, 20 casks spirits turpentine, 277 bbls rosin, 36 bbls tar.

Total receipts—Cotton, 1,311 bales; spirits turpentine, 44 casks; rosin, 372 bbls; tar, 128 bbls.

Shipping Notes.

The tug *Alexander Jones*, with the schooner *Hilda* in tow, from Savannah, Ga., bound to Philadelphia, put in at Southport yesterday for a harbor.

Mr George Harriss, Jr., of Philadelphia, is owner in part and manager of the schooner *Amelia P. Schmidt*, recently lost at sea in a voyage from Wilmington to Jacmel, Hayti.

The U. S. steamer *Almeria*, lighthouse tender for this district, was in port yesterday.

AGAIN THE KIRMESS.

ANOTHER DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT AT THE OPERA HOUSE.

A Large Audience—Many Visitors from Fayetteville—New Dances—The Kirmess Inn—New Features in the Presentation to be Given this Evening.

Subdued voices, titters of laughter, coy looks, and deep-drawn sighs; here, the upturned visage of a charming woman, bewitching, tantalizing; there, the bowed head of some earnest beau—such were the sounds, such partially the sights, our senses experienced last evening, as, lolling in our seat, we awaited the second night's performance of the Kirmess.

The audience was in every respect a representative one. Literary, professional and business people were there. Dress suits and opera bonnets peered from the boxes and dress circles. Ushers carrying flowers scampered here and there, and a bashful youngster coming in late walked all over himself in his efforts to reach his seat unobserved.

The number of out-of-town people present was large. It was Fayetteville night and Fayetteville was there in numbers. Among them were noted Miss Rebecca Haigh, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Holt, Miss Della Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Miss Margaret Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Jennings, Miss Kate Alderman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Burns, Miss Nellie Morrow, Miss Wilson, Sheriff J. B. Smith, L. B. Hale of the Fayetteville *Observer*, Dr. H. W. Lilly, Capt. A. B. Williams, Messrs. Jas. Kyle, O. S. Wightman, J. B. Underwood, R. S. Williams, W. G. Moore, G. B. Underwood and Lawrence Williams.

The entertainment opened with an overture of national airs by the orchestra, and the curtain arose on a charming tableau. Grouped in bands around the stage, pretty women and handsome men were seen arrayed in the costumes of the different nations. The stage decorations were gorgeous, and the arrangement of the groups most artistic. In the centre was the Queen of the Kirmess, Mrs. A. H. Harriss. Calcium lights were flashed; the Queen stepped from her throne and the Kirmess in all its beauty began. Marching at the head of her subjects she led them in the triumphal procession. For fully ten minutes they marched, a seemingly endless throng, the savage profile of the red man, silhoutted against the enlightened countenance of his Christian brother, Ancient Greece in line with modern France. It was a magnificent spectacle and was heartily applauded.

The dances of the different nations followed. First came the "Ancient Athenian Feast, participated in by Misses Annie Hardison, Adelaide Brooks, Mary Nash, Lucy Bowden, Mabel Powers, Rhea Daggett, Rosa McPherson, Lucy Wooten, Nellie Brice, Annie Gause, Columbia Munds and Katie Harlow. The dance was well executed and elicited much applause. The banner in this dance bore the A. T. O. insignia. The compliment was a delicate one and the fraternity complimented doubtless fully appreciates it. Mrs. Hugh McRae as Diana was charming.

The Greek Cymbal Dance followed, with Mrs. Owen Love, Mrs. Dr. Shepard, Misses Bolles, Gibson, Strange, West McKoy, Margaret Meares, Abbie Chadbourn, Margaret D. Smith and Nannie Humphreys, as dancers. It is a beautiful dance, and was rapturously applauded. It was a favorite.

The German North Country Harvest Dance, the English May Dance XVI Century, and the Japanese Satsuma Shinto Court Dances followed in quick succession and received much applause.

The Japanese Dance is exceedingly graceful and is deservedly popular.

The English May Dance represented the beauty and gallantry of Young America. It included in its number many charming little misses and many daring little men. Its personnel was to-wit: Misses Bettie Gordon, Elsie Brock, Lucy Baldwin, Mary Black, Virginia Hoge, Blanche Chadbourn, Isabelle Belden, Florrie Grant, and Masters Eugene Wiggins, Harry Smallbones, Oscar Peck, Robert Calder, Dick Dunn, Joe Armstrong, Milton Calder and Joe Watters.

The Gypsy Tambourine Dance was the sixth on the programme. It was greeted with continuous applause.

The seventh dance of the evening was the Spanish Wedding Dance. Last evening was its first appearance. Of this dance much was expected. It has been heralded as one of the most graceful of the series, and deservedly so. Its execution last evening was beyond criticism. Its reception was one continuous applause. Its dancers were Mrs. DuBrutz Cutlar and Mr. Edward Payson Willard, Miss Lucy Latham and Mr. John James, Miss Alice Green and Mr. Guy Cardwell, Miss Mary Calder and Mr. Robert Rankin, Miss Alice Boatwright and Mr. E. Keith Calder, Miss Elizabeth DeRosset and Mr. Swift Boatwright.

The Moon Dance by Indian girls and the Indian Ghost Dance, which followed, closed the special dances. They caused much merriment and were frequently applauded.

The Grand International Dance concluded the programme.

After the performance in the Opera House the spectators wended their way through the "Kirmess Inn," which was tastefully decorated with flags and bunting and certainly presented a picturesque scene, with tables scattered here and there among palms and ferns, at which guests were invited to sit and were served with everything in the way of refreshing eatables by those in charge at a very low price. The ladies who managed this department were Mrs. Chas. King, Mrs. Fred. Rheinstein, Mrs. W. R. Kenan, Mrs. W. E. Storm, Mrs. T. H. McKoy, Mrs. Fred. Fosgate, Mrs. Stella Thompson, Mrs. Louise DeRosset, Mrs. Mitt Moore, Miss Julia James, Miss Mamie Bear, Miss Clara Springer, Miss Mary Lilly Kenan and Misses Hart and Watters. Mr. Robert Sweet had charge of the decorations.

One of the most interesting features of the department was the wonderful graphophone, managed by Mrs. W. O. Sharrer. This machine proved quite popular.

The Inn will be open again to-night.

ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

Of the N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church South.

[*Kinston Free Press.*]

The following is a complete list of the Conference appointments for Newbern, Wilmington and Fayetteville Districts, with part of the appointments for the other Districts:

NEWBERN DISTRICT.

W. S. Rone, Presiding Elder.

Newbern—Centenary, F. A. Bishop.
Goldsboro—St. Paul, R. B. John, N. M. Jurney.
Goldsboro—St. John, J. E. Bristowe.
Goldsboro circuit—A. L. Ormond.
Mount Olive circuit—M. M. McFarland.
LaGrange circuit—G. T. Simmons.
Snow Hill circuit—L. J. Holden.
Kinston station—J. A. Lee.
Grifton circuit—F. S. Becton.
Jones circuit—J. M. Benson.
Craven circuit—D. C. Geddie.
Vanceboro circuit—Supplied by F. E. Dixon.
Pamlico circuit—H. E. Tripp.
Carteret circuit—J. T. Abernethy.
Morehead City station—L. S. Massey.
Beaufort station—D. H. Tuttle.
Straits circuit—J. M. Carraway.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. C. Beaman, Presiding Elder.

Wilmington—Grace Church, R. A. Willis.
Wilmington—Fifth Street, W. L. Cunninggim.
Wilmington—Bladen Street, T. J. Browning.
Wilmington—Market Street, T. H. Sutton.
Scott's Hill circuit—W. H. Townsend.
Onslow circuit—C. P. Snow, Joseph Dixon, sup.
Burgaw circuit—D. A. Futrell.
Magnolia circuit—L. S. Etheridge.
Kenansville circuit—G. W. Fisher.
Clinton circuit—J. G. Johnson.
Bladen circuit—W. A. Jenkins.
Elizabeth circuit—C. W. Smith.
Whiteville and Fair Bluff—A. R. Raven.
Columbus circuit—J. J. Porter.
Waccamaw circuit—Supplied by J. M. Marlowe.
Brunswick circuit—J. A. Rouse.
Southport station—H. B. Anderson.

RALEIGH DISTRICT.

E. A. Yates, Presiding Elder.

Raleigh—Edenton Street, W. C. Norman.
Raleigh—Central Church, E. C. Glenn.
Raleigh—City Mission supplied by R. H. Whitaker.

DURHAM DISTRICT.

J. A. Cunninggim, Presiding Elder.

Durham—Trinity, J. N. Cole.
Durham—Main Street, G. A. Oglesby.
West Durham—R. W. Bailey.
Durham—Carr Church, D. N. Caviness.
Durham circuit—W. J. Twilley.
Hillsboro circuit—Laughorne Leitch.
Chapel Hill station—N. H. D. Wilson.
Trinity College—J. C. Kilgo, president of Trinity College; member of Main Street Station Quarterly Conference.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

B. R. Hall, Presiding Elder.

Washington station—J E. Underwood.
Washington circuit—J. W. Martin.
Tarboro station—R. F. Bumpass.
South Edgecombe circuit—R. H. Willis.
Rocky Mount station—R. J. Moorman.
Rocky Mount circuit—A. D. Betts.
Nashville circuit—R. L. Davis.
Spring Hope circuit—Supplied by J. C. Humble.
Wilson station—J. B. Hurley.
Fremont circuit—C. P. Jerome.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.

W. H. Moore, Presiding Elder.

Fayetteville—Hay Street and Campbelton Mission, L. L. Nash and D. B. Parker.
Cumberland circuit—L. M. Chaffin.
Cokesbury circuit—G. W. Starling.
Sampson circuit—R. A. Bruton.
Lillington circuit—W. F. Craven.
Bucknorn circuit—H. G. Stamey.
Dunn circuit—E. C. Sell.
Newton Grove circuit—W. F. Galloway.
Cape Fear circuit—A. J. Groves.
Pittsboro circuit—W. W. Rose.
Haw River circuit—W. H. Puckett.
Deep River circuit—B. B. Holder.
Siler City circuit—H. W. Whitaker.
Carthage circuit—Z. T. Harrison.
Jonesboro circuit—D. L. Earnhardt.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.

J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder.

Rockingham station—J. T. Lyon.
Rockingham circuit—J. M. Lowder.
Richmond circuit—J. P. Pate.
Laurinburg station—F. M. Shamburger.
Maxton and Caledonia station—M. Bradshaw.
Maxton circuit—J. W. Wallace.
Lumberton circuit—J. D. Bundy.
Robeson circuit—E. Pope, R. W. Townsend, sup.

WARRENTON DISTRICT.

W. S. Black, Presiding Elder.

Warrenton circuit—P. L. Herman.
Weldon station—J. A. Hornaday.
Roanoke circuit—Supplied by B. H. Black.
Roanoke Rapids—J. H. Frizelle.
Halifax circuit—E. E. Rose.
Battleboro and Whitaker's—S. T. Moyle.
Scotland Neck circuit—Rufus Bradley.
Williamston and Hamilton—A. J. Parker.
Garysburg circuit—J. D. Pegram.
Northampton circuit—A. R. Goodchild.
Rich Square—J. R. Sawyer.
Meherrin circuit—P. Greening.
Murfreesboro station—M. T. Plyler.
Harrellsville station—J. C. Jones.
Bertie circuit—J. R. Tillery.
Littleton Female College—J. M. Rhodes.
Chaplain United States Navy—W. E. Edmundson.

Before Justice Bunting.

Wm. Bell, colored, who has been in jail since the early part of last week, charged with burglary and larceny, was given a hearing yesterday morning at 9 o'clock before Justice R. H. Bunting. The defendant was adjudged not guilty of attempting to break into Mr. C. H. Kuhl's store last September, but was committed to jail in default of a $50 bond, to stand trial before the next term of the Criminal Court on the charge of stealing a wood-horse and saw from Joshua Wilson, colored.

Joseph Simon was also arraigned, charged with forgery. He was adjudged not guilty and discharged.

RALEIGH NEWS BUDGET

THE SENATORIAL SITUATION A VERY MUCH MUDDLED AFFAIR

Chairman Manly Does Not Anticipate Election of a Democrat—Col. Jule Carr is the Favorite of Several Populist Members of the Legislature—Colored Masons—Five Murderers Sent to the Penitentiary from Richmond County.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 15.

Chairman Clement Manly arrived in the city yesterday. He is here in the interest of a convict in the penitentiary who is seeking a pardon. Mr. Manly is looking much improved since the campaign. The rest from his arduous duties has benefitted him much. He had little to say from a political standpoint. The Senatorial situation he thinks is the most muddled affair of the past year. He does not anticipate the election of a Democrat under any circumstances.

I know that Col. Jule Carr's name is being pushed along for the Senatorship. Furthermore several Populist members of the Legislature are said to be very much inclined towards the Durham philanthropist.

The Legislative Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's books is in session here. Messrs W. R. Ellis, P. B. Julian and A. F. Hileman and Senator Farthing are the members present.

The colored lodge of Masons which was recently in session at Edenton established an endowment feature of the lodge and in this way from $1,000 to $3 000 is expected to be collected annually. A special endowment fee of one dollar per year was assessed the members. Grand Master Jas. H. Young says the Mississippi Masons raised $5,000 last year by this method.

Sheriff Smith, of Richmond county, brought five murderers to the penitentiary to day to serve various terms. Three more capital cases remain untried.

Chairman Ayer said to-day, in speaking of Tom Watson's contest of Black's seat for Congress, that Tom Watson was more sorts of a d—d fool than Elliot F. Shepherd ever was.

THEATRICAL STARS.

Stuart Robson and Mme. Janauschek to Appear at the Opera House Friday Night.

The engagement of the two well-known and eminent theatrical stars—Stuart Robson and Mme. Janauschek—at the Opera House, Friday evening, December 18th, promises to be the best attraction which the management will offer this season. Mr. Robson is a comedian second to none, except old Joseph Jefferson, while Mme. Janauschek is the best known tragedienne on the stage to-day, and one who has always received the most hearty endorsement of the lovers of tragedy.

The comedy "Mrs. Ponderbury's Past," which enjoyed an unusually long run in both Paris and London, and afterwards in New York city, will be presented here. The play is a comedy of the first class. It will be preceded by the one-act curtain raiser, "Mr. Gilman's Wedding," which is a whole evening's entertainment in itself.

Advance sale of seats will commence this morning at Gerken's. Reserved seats, $1.50 and $1.00. General admission, 50 cents.

THE RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

Meeting of Division 271 at Fayetteville—Election of Officers.

Fayetteville *Observer:* Division 271, Order of Railway Conductors, met in the Knights of Pythias Hall Saturday night. Capt. J. M. Walker, of the C. F. & Y. V., was re-elected Chief; J. A. McLaughlin Assistant Chief; W. W. Freeman, of A. C. L., Senior Conductor; J. W. Cotton, A. C. L., Conductor; W. C. Dodson, C. F. & Y. V., Inside Sentinel; W. O. Lockamy, Outside Sentinel. Capt. J. M. Walker was unanimously chosen as the representative of the Grand Division to the general convention which meets in Los Angeles in May. Capt. J. R. Russell was chosen as the alternate. Capt. Walker deserves all the honors his order can confer, and we congratulate the members.

Shipments of Lettuce.

New Hanover truckers are shipping lettuce in large quantities to Northern markets. Seventeen barrels were expressed yesterday, shipments on previous days having been, however, considerably larger.

Some of the shippers from this section are: Mr. Jno. R. Melton, Mr. W. H. Mills, Capt. E. W. Manning, Mr. J. D. Woody, Mr. J. F. Garrell, Mr. D. W. Trask, Mr. F. J. Dempsey and Mr. J. T. Carr.

Correction.

The word "thousand" was left out near the close of the third paragraph in the article comparing receipts of cotton at the ports of Charleston and Wilmington, published in the STAR of yesterday. The last sentence should read: These figures show that the statement of the *News and Courier* that "Charleston leads Wilmington by over a hundred thousand bales" is incorrect, the real difference being but 81,553 bales.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

Opinions Handed Down in Cases That Interest Wilmington People.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 15.—In the Supreme Court to-day, opinions were handed down as follows:

Tuttle vs. Carolina Central Railroad Co. No error; judgment affirmed.

Latimer vs. Waddell, from New Hanover; affirmed.

— To-night will be Newbern's night at the Kirmess. Quite a number are expected from that city.

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RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

At a called meeting of the Hibernian Benevolent Society, held at their hall on December 7th, 1896, a committee was appointed to prepare resolutions of respect to the memory of our departed brother member, Wm P. Torpy, and also of condolence with his afflicted family.

WHEREAS, In the dispensing of justice from an allwise and merciful God, we as a Society are called upon to record the death of our young and respected brother Wm P. Torpy, who peacefully passed away on Sunday morning, December 6th, 1896, and in the triumph of a living faith in God, his Heavenly Father, and in hope of a glorious immortality,

Resolved, That it is with profound sorrow that we are called upon to record the demise of Wm. P. Torpy.

Resolved, That the Society has lost an energetic and faithful member, whose youth gave promise of a bright future, and whose presence was a strong incentive to the younger members.

Resolved, That the Society extend its sympathies to the bereaved family, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent them.

Resolved, That the secretary be instructed to spread these resolutions on the minute book of the Society in memory of the deceased.

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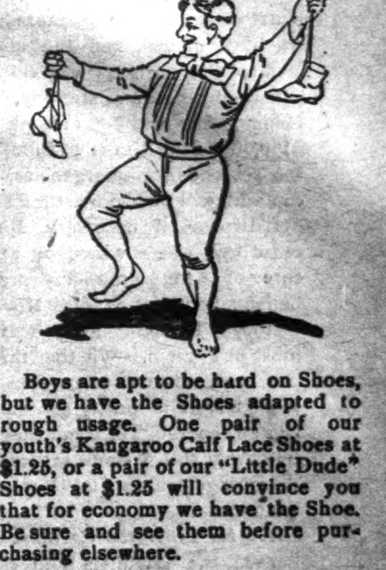

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 16, 1896

A CHANCE FOR HANNA.

The Republican party managers felt pretty confident just after the election that they would have control of both Houses of Congress, and having the President would be in a position to carry out their tariff programme, the matter in which Mr. Hanna, who managed Mr. McKinley's campaign, and the manufacturers who chipped in to secure his election, are most interested. But they were counting without their host, counting the chickens before they were hatched. They took it for granted that the Republican silver Senators would get back into the traces after the election and be in accord on every party question but the silver question. But when the six Republican silver Senators who seceded last summer respectfully declined to go into the Republican Senatorial caucus, and those of them who held positions in the caucus resigned, a large sized wet blanket fell upon the machine managers. If they had been able to have enticed these six in they would have the Senate in their keeping, but as it is they have but forty-two sure, as follows:

California	1
Colorado	1
Connecticut	2
Idaho	1
Illinois	2
Indiana	1
Iowa	2
Kansas	1
Maine	2
Maryland	1
Massachusetts	2
Michigan	2
Minnesota	2
Montana	1
Nebraska	1
New Hampshire	2
New Jersey	1
New York	1
North Dakota	1
Ohio	2
Oregon	2
Pennsylvania	2
Rhode Island	2
Vermont	2
Washington	1
West Virginia	1
Wisconsin	1
Wyoming	2
Total	42

This lacks three of a tie, when Vice President Hobart's vote would come in, or four of a majority so they could get along without the casting vote. These three or four they must pick up in North Carolina, Kentucky, North Dakota and Washington, in all of which, except Kentucky, the chances are against the election of a straight Republican. Here is Hanna's opportunity to give another exhibition of his fine work and make his dollars, etc., tell.

Just after the six silver Senators refused to waltz into the Senatorial caucus and thus gave the managers to understand that they proposed to do business on their own account, the Senatorial "steering committee" called in Mentor Hanna to consult over the situation and see what might be done to get out of the box in which the action of those six Senators put them, and it was resolved to "employ every honorable method" to secure the election of Republican Senators from the four States which we have named, and the management of this business was doubtless entrusted to their standby, Mark Hanna, who has yet in bank about $100,000 of the campaign fund, which was set aside for emergencies. They can and will put more than that at his disposal if necessary, for they must get these votes, or at least three of them, to reap any practical benefits out of their November victory. If they get them they must buy them. Whether they can buy them remains to be seen. The fact that it is pretty generally accepted that to get them they must buy them will operate rather to the discouragement of the buying programme.

As far as North Carolina is concerned the Populists hold the balance of power, and their leaders declare that no man but a free silver man can be elected. They positively deny that there are any Populists elected to the Legislature pledged to vote for Pritchard. If this be so it knocks Pritchard out and makes the election of any one but a silver man impossible. Pritchard, with the consent and connivance of Hanna and others who are engineering the business, may again pose as a free silver man, and when he gets into the Senate vote with his party on that and other questions, regardless of his ante election promises, but it will be somewhat remarkable if after having been fooled by him once the Populists will let themselves be fooled by him again, and after his desertion and his interviews and speeches during the campaign, in which he placed himself squarely on the Republican National platform, gold and all, the Populist who votes for his return will lay himself open and justly open to the charge of having been bought. That's the situation that Mr. Hanna has to encounter in this State.

If the reports be correct it isn't any more encouraging for him in either of the other three States, except Kentucky, where the Republicans have a small majority and where they may elect a Republican. But in the other two the power to elect free silver men, unless the potent influence of Mark Hanna's money should prevail to prevent it, but the chances are rather against that.

The question then arises, what can be accomplished by an extra session of Congress, on which the tariff grabbers have been counting? With anything less than forty-five votes they can accomplish nothing without placating the silver Senators, and how are they going to placate them and secure their co-operation without doing something for silver, and something very substantial too, for these Senators will not be satisfied with shadows or promises. No doubt it was a part of the programme to placate them when Senator Wolcott introduced his resolution on the second day of the session providing for the appointment of a committee to consider the question and prepare the way for the holding of an international monetary Congress, as pledged in the St. Louis platform. Perhaps he thought they would be satisfied with that as the best that could be done, and awaiting the result would walk in and pull with the party as heretofore. But that bait didn't catch them, and they still adhere to the declared resolution to stand in the way of any tariff legislation until something satisfactory to them is done for silver.

But here they will be confronted by another difficulty. The Senators from all the Eastern States, save Senator Chandler, are pronounced gold men, and when the dickering begins with the silver Senators they will insist on having something to say about it and if too much be offered the silver men then they will do some kicking, and will be about as hard to hold in line as the silver Senators have been. As the situation presents itself now, with the poor prospect of securing a majority of straighout Republicans, and the complications by which the party will be confronted in the Senate without this the outlook isn't very bright for the control of that body or the enactment of any important partisan legislation in the extra session or any other session.

MINOR MENTION.

A day or two ago the Mobile *Register* announced the arrival of a party of Northern capitalists with a view to inspecting the inducements to engage in the lumber business, and the indications were that they would make large investments in that section. This means that these capitalists proposed to buy large tracts of timber land, if they could get it at a price to suit them (which means a very low price), put in saw mills, cut the merchantable timber down and ship it. The benefit in these kinds of transactions goes to the capitalists, while all the benefit the South gets is the practically nominal price for which the timber is sold by the owners of the land, and the employment that is given to the men who cut the trees and prepare the lumber for market. Other Northern capitalists are prospecting in Georgia, on the same mission bent, as we infer from the following, which we clip from the Macon *Telegraph*, because it contains some interesting facts and figures, which carry with them an object lesson:

"A staff correspondent of the *Telegraph* presents on another page an interesting review of the lumber interests of Southern Georgia. It is known that Southern Georgia, Southern Alabama and Middle Florida furnish the great bulk of the yellow pine lumber. The magnitude of that business can better be appreciated when it is stated that $20,000,000 worth of woodstuff was shipped from the United States to Canada and England alone last year. Yet Mr. Seymour says, "Spain and the continent are our best customers," with South America and France coming next. With 600 000 feet for export and 500,000 for the domestic trade being put on the market daily now, what must be the demand after a little while? And this question brings another, how long will the timber supply last? With an increasing demand for lumber and a diminishing supply of timber, to say nothing about the improved general conditions, the lumber trade is bound to develop into a greater activity and importance.

"In addition to ordinary increasing demands cited by Mr. Seymour, it may be said that in the State of Michigan alone there are 2,000 factories of one kind or another which consume the products of the saw mills. It will be the part of good sense for Georgia to encourage the establishment of such concerns in our midst. Furniture factories and factories of woodware would naturally find their location near the saw mills.

"The outlook of the lumber interests is undoubtedly bright. It is an important part of the industrial movement in Georgia, and is of especial interest to Macon."

The *Telegraph* makes a very pertinent inquiry when it asks what, at the present rate of consumption, will be the demand for Southern lumber after a little while, and how long will the timber supply last. If this timber were cut with discrimination, and used in manufactories, instead of being cut and shipped away in bulk as it is now, the South would derive some material benefit from it, and the supply would not be so exhaustively called upon, but until this is the case, while we do not believe in the "dog in the manger" style of doing things, we look on these sales of large tracts of Southern forest, as a penny wise pound foolish business, which has been carried on entirely too extensively. Properly cared for and husbanded there is no species of Southern property which left alone will bring the same increment in time as our standing forests of such timber as the world needs.

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There never was any question as to the sympathy of the people of this country with the struggling Cubans, which has been emphatically voiced by the press, by public meetings, by resolutions in the United States House of Representatives and Senate, by resolutions of State Legislatures and by the platforms of all political parties, but the reported cold-blooded, brutal and barbarous assassination of General Maceo and his staff has magnified this sympathy into a feeling of intense indignation against Spain, an indignation which is finding expression in all parts of the country and by all classes of our people, who feel that this Government, to avoid giving Spain just cause for offense, has gone too far in the resolve to maintain neutrality. This is the sentiment of eight out of ten of the people of the United States, who in their horror at Spain's latest exhibition of savage atrocity are now manifesting a disposition to spurn the laws which compel them to witness without active intervention such atrocities. May it not be that in the Providence of God the treacherous assassination on which Spain counted to crush Cuba may prove her deliverence from the oppresser? It looks that way now, for it is questionable whether the people of this country once aroused can be restrained, and possibly the clash which the Government has been endeavoring to avert may be precipitated by an indignant people, and that will mean Cuban emancipation, for there isn't power enough on the earth to keep her in subjection to Spain if the people of this country make her cause their cause. Sound the tocsin and within sixty days there would be American fighters enough on the island to drive the last Spaniard into the sea. We say this fully realizing all the power that might possibly be brought to bear againt us, but realizing also the power and resources of our own country, with our 70,000,000 people united and determined in a cause like this, backed if need be by the sympathy and active co-operation of the countries of this hemisphere. The series of butcheries and barbarities that culminated in the assassination of Maceo should be brought to an end without further ceremony and the curtain rung down on the sickening tragedy.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Outlook for December is full of interesting reading, with many articles appropriate to the Christmas time, and all handsomely illustrated. Published by the Outlook Company, No. 13 Astor Place, New York.

The physician, medical student and reader on sanitary topics will find *The Sanitarian* for December a valuable and interesting number. Address A. N. Bell, M. D., editor, 337 Clinton street, Brooklyn, N. C.

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CURRENT COMMENT.

—— A Washington dispatch recently spoke of Maceo as a professional bandit, who had been outlawed for many years. This may be a Spanish view of him, but it is utterly false. He has been no more of a bandit than was Gen. Washington, who was also outlawed without being disgraced.—*Phil. Ledger, Ind.*

—— The New York *World* says: "Those who call Gen. Maceo the greatest soldier with African blood in his veins forget that Gen. Hannibal made something of a record in his day." Hannibal was an African but had no negro blood in his veins. He was of Phœnician descent. Maceo is, or was, more white than black. The greatest of negro generals was Toussaint L'Ouverture. He was a pure-blooded black man.—*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— It may be looked upon as a foregone conclusion that the Sandwich Islands will soon be reckoned part of this country. Besides that there appears at least an even chance that the acquisition of Cuba may not be long delayed. It is apparent under these circumstances that some defined policy should be laid down in relation to territories beyond the present limits of the United States which may come under our "jurisdiction. In the case of Hawaii and Cuba, their admittance as States is entirely inadmissible. Some other plan than that which has prevailed in our international policy must be adopted. Some slight modification only of the present territorial form is needed.—*Boston Commercial Bulletin.*

Appointments for Visitation by Bishop the of East Carolina.

December 13 Sunday, 3rd in Advent, M. P., Snow Hill, S. Barnabas.

December 15, Tuesday, M. P., Farmville, Emanuel.

December 16 Wednesday, E. P., Hamilton, S. Martin's.

December 17, Thursday, Com., Hamilton, S. Martin's.

December 18, Friday, E. P., Winston, S. John's.

December 19, Saturday, Com., Winston, S. John's.

December 20, Sunday, 4th in Advent, Murfreesboro, S. Barnabas.

December 25 Christmas, Woodville, Bertie county, Grace.

December 27, Sunday after Christmas, M. P., Roxobel, S. Mark's.

M. P.—Morning Prayer.
E. P.—Evening Prayer.
Com.—Communion.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Newbern *Journal*: By an act of the last Congress a survey was ordered of the Neuse river at and below Newbern to find eight feet of water at dead low water. The survey has been made. Eight feet at dead low water means eleven feet at any ordinary tide and twelve feet when there is a good tide.

— Henderson *Gold Leaf*: The Nathan Winston murder case was taken up on Thursday morning and from the evidence a state of facts was reached which was almost sufficient to make one believe in the total depravity of the human heart. Nathan Winston more than eighteen months ago while asleep in his bed was horribly and brutally murdered by his daughter, Calvin Mangum and Will and Tom Tanner. The deed was done by crushing in the old man's head with an axe and he was then taken and buried in a clay pit within a few feet of his door step. The principal witness for the State was Henry Winston, the 14 year-old son of the murdered man. The jury, after being out until Monday morning, brought in the following verdict: Frances Mitchell, not guilty; Thomas and William Tanner and Nannie Mitchell, murder in the second degree; Calvin Mangum murder in the first degree. The sentences were passed as follows: Thomas and William Tanner, twenty years each in the penitentiary; Nannie Mitchell, ten years. Judge McIver, amid tears, sentenced Calvin Mangum to be "hanged on the 29th of January, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m.

TWINKLINGS.

— "Yes, I've been hunting for him all day. He seems very much engaged, lately."

"He is; and both girls have found it out."—*Puck.*

— "Tommy," said the teacher, "what is meant by nutritious food?"

"Something to eat that ain't got no taste to it," replied Tommy.—*Household Words.*

— She (at the masquerade ball) — Do you think my costume becoming?

He (with enthusiasm)—Yes, indeed; but you would be lovely in any disguise.—*Harper's Bazar.*

— "His Recollection—Willie, what was the preacher's text?"

"Somethin' about havin' faith like a grain of some kind of seed an' sayin' to the mountain 'get a move on you!' an' it'll git."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Adding Insult to Injury—Muggsy—Yes, he's a gentleman. That's what I've got agin' him."

Swiggsy—"How's dat?"

Muggsy—"He stepped on me corn yesterday, an' before I got a chance to smash his face in he apologized, dat's what!"—*Truth.*

— The Poet—She invited me to her house to dinner.

The Friend—She told me she didn't think there was much in you.—*Town Topics.*

— She—I'm sure you love me no longer. Now do not deny it. I can see the change in you. I'm no fool. You should have married somebody stupider.

H—I couldn't find one.—*Judy.*

— Parson Goodman—Do you know where little boys go who go fishing on Sunday?

Bad Boy—Aw, say—I ain't givin' away snaps, yer know. If yer lookin' fer a good fishin' hole why don't yer go find it yerself, same as everybody else does? Yer must think I'm a jay.—*Judy.*

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Notoriety.

"You fight your way through the New Guinea forests; you are in daily peril of your life; you open up a new country, and yet you are not a made man until you are attacked by a wretched newspaper," she cried.

"That is the standpoint of the people who sell books, so you may depend upon its being the standpoint of the people who buy books," said he.

"I can quite believe it," said she. "Mr. Geraint, the novelist, took me down to dinner last night, and he told me the only thing that will make people buy books is seeing the author's portrait in some of the illustrated papers, or hearing from some of the interviews which are published regarding him that he never could take sugar with his coffee. The reviews of his books are only read by his brother authors, and they never buy a book, Mr. Geraint says, but the interviews are read by the genuine book buyers."—"Phyllis of Philistia."

Thought He Lost His Head.

A few days since a gentleman, while taking a ride with his groom, had the misfortune to have himself and companion thrown violently to the ground by his horse taking fright and running away. The gentleman was not seriously injured, his principal loss being that of his wig, which had been shaken off, but he found Pat in a much worse condition, with the blood trickling from his head and holding his master's wig, which he was surveying with the utmost alarm and horror. "Well, Pat," said his master, "are you much hurt?"

"Hurt is it? Oh, master, do you see the top of my head in my hand?"

Pat in his terror and confusion had mistaken his master's wig for his own natural scalp, and evidently thought that his last hour had arrived.—London Telegraph.

Known by His Walk.

A tutor of one of the Oxford colleges who limped in his walk was some years ago accosted by a well known politician, who asked him if he was not the chaplain of the college at such a time, naming the year. The doctor said he was. The interrogator observed, "I knew you by your limp." "Well," said the doctor, "it seemed my limping made a deeper impression than my preaching." "Ah, doctor," was the reply, with ready wit, "it is the highest compliment we can pay a minister to say that he is known by his walk rather than by his conversation."—St. Louis Star.

ROYAL WIDOWS.

One or More In Nearly Every Country In Europe.

It is just a thought astonishing to reckon the number of royal widows, regnant or uncrowned, now more or less in public view. First, of course, comes her majesty, Victoria, empress of India, queen of England, Scotland and Ireland. Next to her one must rank her eldest child, Victoria, empress dowager of Prussia, more commonly known as Empress Frederick. Then, in the same family circle, there are the Duchess of Albany, born Princess of Waldeck-Pyrmont, and widow of the English queen's youngest son, and the Princess of Battenberg.

Upon the continent there are a pair of widowed queens regent—Christine of Spain and Emma of Holland. Both have won golden opinions from those they govern, no less than from impartial onlookers. Queen Emma is, by the way, sister to the Duchess of Albany, who is said to have been the first choice of the gay old reprobate, King William of Holland. She refused him, but her sister threw herself into the breach, inspired doubtless by the knowledge that reigning sovereigns, even though somewhat battered and the worse for wear, were not likely to come often a-wooing in starveling if princely households. So they were married, and there is a little queen of Holland to cheat the anticipations of the house of Cumberland.

But none of the queens or empresses can put out of court Dagmar, sometime of Denmark, now the widowed czarina, Marie Feodorowna. It must have gone hard with her, in spite of the splendors the change implied, to give over her Danish name, which means "day dawn," for an appellation so cumbrous. Feodorowna means, by the way, "daughter of Theodore," as does Paulovna "daughter of Paul." The termination "ovna," or "owna," has in all cases that significance in Russian names, just as the suffix "vitch" means always "son of." Thus Alexandrovitch is "the son of Alexander."

Austrian royalty has two widows outright, between whom it is hard to say which has the more tragic story. All the world still remembers the tragedy of Meyerling—how the Crown Prince Rudolph shot himself and the beautiful Marie Vectsera, leaving his wife, Stephanie of Belgium, by no means disconsolate, as the pair had been on the point of judicial separation. Still the shock and shadow of it all for the time overwhelmed her. But she has no continuing sorrow such as has driven to madness Carlotta, once empress of Mexico, who missed seeing her husband, Maximilian, shot only because she had gone to Europe asking help for him, where no help was. Yet it is a question if, in spite of all, she is not less unhappy than her sister, the Empress Elizabeth of Austria, who has been for long years widowed in all but name.

Besides Empress Eugenie, widowed, childless, a withered shadow of her beautiful self, France has a Duchess of Orleans, whom the Legitimists rank as queen dowager—not to mention the wife of her murdered president, Carnot. And there is more than a Gallic trace in the youngest of royal widows, the Bonaparte princess, who married her uncle, the Duke d'Aosta, and since his death has set the Italian court wild with her freaks.—New York Journal.

The Musical Cat.

My blue Persian cat is a gentle, sentimental creature, slightly inclined to melancholy and, strangely, even troublesomely, affectionate to one or two select friends. She had been accustomed from the time I first had her—last summer—to be continually with me, generally on my lap or shoulder. When the winter evenings began to draw on, I took to playing the piano, which I had not done during the summer. The cat could not understand why, when this was going on, she was not allowed to take up her usual position. In order, I suppose, to show her disapproval of my occupation, she would continually climb up either on to me or the piano and pat my hands with her paws, and pull them off the keys—very gently and without scratching at all. This became such a nuisance that I could not play unless I put her out of the room, but she would sit outside and howl, and when any one opened the door she would rush in and begin da capo. At last I thought of a way of treating her—viz, like a rational being. I placed a chair next to the music stool, as though for a duet, and put her on it, and explained the matter to her, and from that time I have had no further trouble, unless I forget to put her chair for her when I begin to play.—London Spectator Correspondence.

Boston Culture.

"Deliver us," says the Boston Traveller, "from the New Yorker's use of the letter r, as it occurs in 'church,' 'first,' 'bird' or as it appears when they pronounce the words Cuba or banana. The New Yorker speaks of his 'chuich,' tells how he was 'fuist,' loves the pretty 'buids' and believes in the cause of 'Cuber.' We must concede that we are a bit off in a few words, 'grass' being one of them. The New Yorker pronounces grass as it is spelled, the Bostonian drawls it out as 'grarse.' For all our shortcomings there is less slurring in our pronunciation than in any other city, and it is a well known fact among our English cousins of the better sort that Bostonians speak cleaner English than citizens from any other city of the Union."

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"Of course. Do you want to be quoted literally?"

"N-no. I don't know as I do. I believe in every man stickin to his particular line of duty. I'll put in the opinions and you put in the grammar."—Washington Star.

The Holly.

The holly in Germany is called Christdorn, or Christ's thorn, the legend being that it was of this plant that the crown of thorns was made. In France the honor is assigned to the hawthorn, which is there called the noble thorn. In Spain the legend assigns the honor to the bramble. An old Scotch legend makes the crown to consist of thistle blades, while in the folklore of England the climbing rose is said to have been the plant selected by the persecutors.

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Blood

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BAGGING—		
2 lb Jute	@	6
Standard	@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ lb	12 @	14
Sides ℔ lb	6 @	7
Shoulders ℔ lb	6 @	6½
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ lb	4¼ @	4½
Shoulders ℔ lb	@	4¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 00 @	1 10
New New York, each	1 35 @	1 40
New City, each	@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ lb	23 @	24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 50 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ lb	15 @	
Northern	23 @	
CORN MEAL—		
Per Bushel, in sacks	40 @	42½
Virginia Meal	40 @	42½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	1 20
CANDLES—℔ lb—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	9 @	10
CHEESE ℔ lb—		
Northern Factory	10 @	11
Dairy, Cream	11 @	12
State	@	10
COFFEE—℔ lb—		
Laguyra	20 @	
Rio	10 @	16
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5¼
Yarns, ℔ bunch	18 @	20
EGGS—℔ dozen	15 @	16
FISH—		
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No 1, ℔ half-barrel	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No 2, ℔ half-barrel	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 00 @	3 07
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 75 @	6 50
N C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ lb	5 @	10
" Extra	3 35 @	3 50
FLOUR—℔ barrel—		
Low grade	3 25 @	3 75
Choice	3 25 @	4 50
Straight	4 75 @	5 00
First Patent	4 45 @	5 50
GLUE—℔ lb—	7½ @	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		45
Corn, from store, bags—White	42½ @	45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White	@	40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	40 @	42½
Oats, from store	30 @	32½
Oats, Rust Proof	40 @	45
Cow Peas	45 @	50
HIDES, ℔ lb—		
Green	@	16
Dry	@	8
HAY, ℔ 100 lbs—		
Eastern	@	1 00
Western	@	90
North River	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ lb	2 @	2½
LARD, ℔ lb—		
Northern	5½ @	6½
North Carolina	6 @	10
LIME ℔ barrel	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed), ℔ M feet—		
Ship Stuff resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough-edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00 @	15 00
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—		
New Crop Cuba, in hhds	@	[illegible]
" " in bbls	@	[illegible]
Porto Rico, in hhds	25 @	[illegible]
" in bbls	@	[illegible]
Sugar-House, in hhds	12 @	14
" in bbls	14 @	15
Syrup, in bbls	15 @	[illegible]
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut 60d basis	@	[illegible]
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	8 75 @	[illegible]
Rump	@	[illegible]
Prime	@	[illegible]
ROPE, ℔ lb	10 @	[illegible]
SALT, ℔ sack Alum	@	75
Liverpool	@	[illegible]
Lisbon	@	
American	@	[illegible]
On 125 lb Sacks	40 @	45
SHINGLES, 7-inch, ℔ M	5 00 @	[illegible]
Common	1 50 @	[illegible]
Cypress Saps	[illegible] @	[illegible]
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Granu'd	@	[illegible]
Standard A	@	[illegible]
White Ex. C	@	[illegible]
Extra C, Golden	4 @	[illegible]
C Yellow	@	[illegible]
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3¼ @	[illegible]
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	8 00 @	[illegible]
R. O. Hogshead	@	[illegible]
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	@	[illegible]
Mill, Prime	@	[illegible]
Mill, Fair	[illegible] @	[illegible]
Common Mill	[illegible] @	[illegible]
Inferior to Ordinary	@	[illegible]
TALLOW, ℔ lb	5 @	
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	1 00 @	[illegible]
North Carolina	1 00 @	[illegible]

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, December 15.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 45 per bbl for Strained and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1 10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Quiet. Hard $1 40, Yellow Dip 1 90, and Virgin 1 80 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 25½@25c; rosin, strained, $1 35; good strained, 1 40; tar, 1 00; crude turpentine, $1 10, 1 50, 1 60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	44
Rosin	373
Tar	128
Crude Turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year—160 casks spirits turpentine, 1 049 bbls rosin, 134 bbls tar, 19 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 6⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 6-16	cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	5⅝	" "
Low Middling	6 6-16	" "
Middling	6⅝	" "
Good Middling	7 1-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 8c.

Receipts—1,811 bales; same day last year 1,149.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 40@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 38 to 40 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—65@75 cents per bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; Hams, 8 to 11½c per pound; Shoulders, 6 to 7c. Sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1 60 to 2.25; six inch, $2 50 to 3.50; seven inch, $5 50 to 6 50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.00 to 7.50 per M.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 15—Evening.—Money on call to day was easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan at 1½ per cent, closing offered at 1½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4 per cent. Sterling exchange was strong, with actual business in bankers bills 483¾@484 for sixty days and 486¾@487 for demand. Commercial bills 482¼@483¼. Government bonds easier; United States coupon fours 110¾ United States twos 95½; State bonds dull; North Carolina fours 101; North Carolina sixes 122. Railroad bonds weak.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to day was higher.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 15—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling 7 3-16c.

Cotton futures—market closed steady; December 6 88, January 6 93, February 7 00, March 7 09, April 7 16, May 7 23, June —, July 7 31, August 7 33. Sales 266 500 bales.

Cotton—net receipts 5,061 bales; gross 10,347 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,859 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 28 bales; forwarded 2,970 bales; sales 1,353 bales; sales to spinners 53 bales; stock 250,237 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 71 930 bales; exports to Great Britain 16 061 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 9,423 bales; stock 1,264 976 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 185,106 bales; exports to Great Britain 64,818 bales; to France 1,650 bales; to the Continent 59,407 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 4,243,023 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,539,286 bales; exports to France 344,141 bales; exports to the Continent 902,577 bales.

Flour was dull, steady and unchanged; Southern quiet, steady and unchanged; common to fair extra $3 00@3 55; good to choice $3 55@3 85. Wheat—spot moderately active and easier with options; free on board 98⅝c; ungraded red 80@99c; options advanced ⅛c, fell ⅝@1½c, rallied ¼c and closed weak at ⅝@1c under yesterday, with trading fair. No.2 red December 87⅝c; January 87⅞c; March —c; May 86⅝c. Corn—spot fairly active and firm; No. 2, 29½c at elevator and 30½c afloat; options were dull and weak at ⅛c decline; December 29c; January —c; May 31⅞c. Oats—spot dull but steady; options weaker and dull; December 22c; January 23½c; February —c; 24½c; spot—No. 2, 23½c; No. 2 white 25½c; mixed Western 21@23c. Lard easier; Western steam $4 15; city $3 70; December $4 10; refined dull at prices; Continent $4 40; South America $4 75, compound $4 37½@4 50. Pork easy and quiet; new mess $8 25@8 75. Butter steadier, with a moderate demand; State dairy 11@19c; do. creamery 14@20c; Western creamery —c; Elgins 21c. Eggs were firmer, with a better demand. State and Pennsylvania 19@21; ice house 15@17c; Western fresh 19@20c; do. per case $3 00@4 00; Southern 18½@19c; limed 15c. Cotton seed oil steady and demand better; crude 20@20½c; yellow prime 22½@23c. Rice fairly active, firm and unchanged. Molasses firm, in moderate demand and unchanged. Peanuts quiet; fancy hand-picked 4c. Coffee quiet and unchanged to 5 points up; December $9 35@9 40; January $9 35@9 45; March $9 35@9 40; May $9 35@8 40; spot Rio steady and quiet; No. 7 $10 00. Sugar —raw dull but steady; fair refining 2⅞c; refined unchanged and quiet.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—Cash quotations. Flour was steady and quiet at prices: hard wheat spring patents $4 20@4 60 in wood soft wheat patents $4 00@4 15; hard wheat bakers' $3 00@3 80 in sacks; soft wheat bakers' $3 00@3 30. Wheat—No. 2 spring 77½@78⅝c; No. 2 red 90@91⅝. Corn—No. 2 22⅞@23c Oats—no quotations. Mess pork, $6 80@6 85. Lard $3 77½@3 80. Short rib sides $3 80@4 05. Dry salted shoulders $4 25@4 50. Short clear sides $4 00@4 12½. Whiskey $1 18 for high-proof spirits.

The leading futures ranged as follows: opening, highest, lowest, closing: Wheat—December 78⅛, 78⅛, 77½, 77½c; May 82⅞@80⅝, 82⅞, 81 81@81½c; July 75⅝, 75⅝, 74⅝, 74⅝c. Corn—December 22⅞, 22⅞, ⅝, 22⅝c; January 22⅞@23, 23 23⅛@23, 23c. May 26½, 26½, 25⅞, 25⅞c. Oats—December 17⅛, 17⅛, 17, 17c; May 20⅝, 20⅝, 20½, 20½c. Pork—December $6 82½, 6 82½, 6 77½, 6 77½; January $7 70, 7 70 7 62½ 7 62½; May $7 95, 7 95, 7 92½, 7 92½. Lard—December $3 72½, 3 72½, 3 72½, 3 72½; January $3 85, 3 87½, 3 85, 3 85; May $4 05, 4 07½, 4 05, 4 05. Short ribs—December $3 90, 3 90, 3 90, 3 90; January $3 87½, 3 87½, 7 85 3 87½; May $4 02½, 4 02½, 4 00, 4 02½.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 15.—Flour firm, but quiet and unchanged. Wheat dull; spot 90⅝c bid; May 88@88½c; Southern by sample 91@92c; do on grade 87½@91½c. Corn easy; spot 28⅝@28⅞c; year 28⅛@28¼c; January 27⅞@28c; February 28@28¼c; March 28½@28⅝c; Steamer mixed 26@26½c. Southern corn 22@28c. Oats steady; No. 2 white 25@26c; No. 2 mixed 22½@23c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

December 15.—Galveston, quiet at 6⅝, net receipts 10 020 bales; Norfolk, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 9,563 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7⅛, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 7⅛, net receipts 1,559 bales; Wilmington, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 1,811 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 7 7-16c, net receipts 596 bales; Savannah, dull at 6⅝, net receipts 9,611 bales; New Orleans, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 30,749 bales; Mobile, quiet at 6 9-16, net receipts 1,986 bales; Memphis, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 4 955 bales; Augusta, steady at 6⅝, net receipts 3,043 bales; Charleston, easy at 6⅛, net receipts 809 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton, increased demand American middling 4 1-16d. Sales 12,000 bales, of which 11,700 were American; speculation and export 500. Receipts 30,000 bales, of which 19,900 were American. Futures opened quiet and demand fair. December 3 61-64@3 62 64d; December and January 3 59 64d; January and February 3 55-64, 3 56 64 3 57 64 3 58 64, 3 57-64, 3 58 64@4 59 64d. February and March 3 55-64, 3 56-64, 3 58-64@3 59-64d; March and April 3 55 64, 3 56 64, 3 57-64, 3 58-64@3 59-64d. April and May 3 56-64, 3 58-64@3 59 64d; May and June 3 57-64 3 58-64, 3 59 64 3 61-64@3 60 64d; June and July 3 57 64, 3 58 64, 3 59-64, 3 60 64@3 61-64d; July and August 3 58 64, 3 60-64 3 61-64, 3 60 64, 3 61 64, 3 61-64@3 61 64d. Futures steady.

4 P. M.—December 3 61-64d seller; December and January 3 58 64@3 59 64d buyer; January and February 3 58 64@3 59 64d seller; February and March 3 58 64@3 59 64d seller; March and April 3 58 64@3 59-64d buyer. April and May 3 59 64d buyer; May and June 3 60 64d seller; June and July 3 6 64@3 61 64d buyer; July and August 3 61 64@3 63 64d seller; August and September 3 60 64d seller. Futures closed quiet and steady.

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ORIGIN OF A DISTINCT CLASS LIVING IN THE SOUTH.

The "Cracker of the Hills" Is the Direct Descendant of the "Sold Passengers" Who Came to This Country In the Seventeenth Century.

The notion that the poor white element of the southern Appalachian region is identical with the poor people generally over the country is an error, and an error of enough importance to call for correction. The poor white of the south has some kinfolk in the Adirondack region of New York and the Blue and Alleghany mountains of Pennsylvania, but he has few relatives any place else about the Mason-Dixon line. The states of New York and Pennsylvania were slave states until the early part of this century.

This poor white mountaineer descends direct from those immigrants who came over in the early days of the colonies, from 1620 to about or some time after the Revolutionary war period, as "sold passengers." They sold their services for a time sufficient to enable them to work out their passage money. They were sold, articled to masters, in the colonies for their board and fixed wage, and thus they earned the cost of their migration.

The laws under which they were articled were severe, as severe as apprentice laws in those days. The "sold passenger" virtually became the slave of the purchaser of his labor. He could be whipped if he did not do the task set him, and woe to the unlucky wight if he ran away. He was sure to be caught and cruelly punished.

And though he was usually a descendant of the lowest grade of humanity on the British islands, he still had enough of the Anglo-Saxon spirit about him to make him an unsatisfactory chattel.

From 1620 forward—the year when the Dutch landed the first cargo of African slaves on the continent—the "sold passenger" was fast replaced by negroes, who took more naturally and amiably to the slave life.

The poor white naturally came to cherish a bitter hatred for the blacks that were preferred over him. He already hated his domineering white master. When he was free to go, he put as many miles as his means and his safety from Indian murderers permitted between himself and those he hated and hoped he might never see again. In that early time the mountain region was not even surveyed, let alone owned by individual proprietors.

The English, Scotch, Irish and continental immigrant who had some means sat down on the rich valleys, river bottoms and rolling savannahs, and the poor white was made welcome to the foothills and mountain plateaus.

These descendants of the British villein of the feudal era grew and multiplied, became almost as distinct a people from the lords of the lowlands as the Scotch highlander was, as related to his lowland neighbor, in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

The stir of the period since the close of our civil war has made somewhat indistinct the line that separates the mountaineer from the plainsman of the south, especially in the foothills and at points where the two have intermingled in traffic, in the schoolhouse and church, and especially where the poor whites have been employed at mining, iron making, etc. But go into the mountains far enough and you find the types as clear cut as it was 100 years ago, with its inimitable drawling speech and curious dialect, its sallow complexion, lanky frame, lazy habits and immorality—all as distinctly marked as they were when hundreds of these people found Cherokee wives in Georgia and Tennessee in the early part of the century and bleached most of the copper out of the skin of the Choctaw as well as out of the Cherokee.

It is a pity that some competent anthropological historian has not traced the annals of this interesting and distinctive section of our population and made record of it in the interest of science, no less than in the interest of the proper education and elevation of the mountain people. It has become, especially in the Piedmont section of the south, a most important labor element. The cotton mill labor by thousands comes from the "Cracker of the Hills," and it is destined to become a great power, that labor population, social and political.

The redemption of the poor white began when slavery went down in blood and destruction, and it has gone on faster and traveled farther than some of us think.—Chattanooga Times.

Early Mention of Tobacco.

The first account in which the tobacco plant was minutely described was sent from Haiti to Peter Martyr in the year 1496—400 years ago exactly—that by Hernandez de Oviedo, the man who introduced tobacco culture into Spain. In 1561 Nicot, the man for whom nicotine, the active principle of tobacco, was named, brought it under the notice of Catherine de' Medici, to whom he presented some plants grown in his own garden from seed brought over from Florida. Nicot appears to have been the first European to use tobacco as a medicine, proof of which may be found in Arber's reprint of the famous tract issued by King James, and which bore the title of "A Counterblaste to Tobacco." The very earliest detailed account of the tobacco plant in the English language is by Mr. Arber (mentioned above), bearing date of 1577.—St. Louis Republic.

A Charming View.

Dawley (to the house agent)—I thought you said there was a charming view from the front windows? Why, there are only houses to be seen.

House Agent—So there is a charming view, sir. In the house opposite lives the most beautiful widow you ever clapped eyes on, and she's always at the window.—London Fun.

The expression "a grass widow" has several fanciful explanations, but is most probably a corruption of the French expression, veuve de grace, a widow by grace or courtesy—that is, a woman who has left her husband or has been deserted by him.

The oldest piece of linen paper in existence, so far as known, is a manuscript containing a treaty between the kings of Aragon and Castile. It is dated 1177 and is still in a fair state of preservation, retaining ink very well.

But human bodies are sic fools, for a' their colleges and schools, that when nae real ills perplex them, they make enow themselves to vex them.—Burns.

The keenest pangs the wretched find are rapture to the dreary void, the leafless desert of the mind, the waste of feelings unemployed.—Byron.

A fabric made of pine and spruce wood pulp is made into overcoats in Leeds, England. It looks like frieze.

BEAUTY AND PHILOSOPHY.

A Handsome Young Woman Who Is Keeping Up the Family Record.

The manifest advantage of a young woman doctor of philosophy is that she does not abdicate her right to be a pretty girl. Such is Miss Elizabeth Hotchkiss, the daughter of our consul at Ottawa, and who when at Washington was regarded as one of the handsomest women in that city.

Miss Hotchkiss is a graduate of Elmira college, and, in addition to her degree of B. A., received from Cornell

MISS ELIZABETH HOTCHKISS.

university her Ph. D. She is now only 25 years old and is the youngest doctor of philosophy in the country. For some time Miss Hotchkiss was editor of The Metaphysical Magazine, published in St. Louis. This magazine is not as well known as the New York magazines, nor are its stories as vivacious and thrilling, but it is read by many learned men, and Miss Hotchkiss, who has now resigned the position, held an honorable place as its editor and one to be filled by few men or women.

This young lady comes from a metaphysical family. Her great-grandfather on her mother's side was a Scotch metaphysician, and the Hotchkiss family in the past have been editors, lawyers and in professions which require some of the subtleties of speech.

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THE PRISONER.

The waves in thunderous menace break
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And none will dare the sea king's power
And venture shipwreck for my sake.

Yet once—my lamp a path of light
Across the darkling sea had cast—
I saw a sail—at last! At last!
It gleamed toward me through the night.

My lamp had been the beacon set
To lead the ship through mist and foam.
The ship that came to take me home
To that far land I half forget.

But since my tower is built so high
And such sharp rocks are hid below
I quenched my lamp, and, weeping low,
I saw my ship go safely by.
—Pall Mall Gazette.

OFFICE BUILDING JANITORS.

They Get Lonely and Uncomfortable, Tired of the Towering Edifices.

"The life of a janitor of one of the big down town office buildings isn't all it's cracked up to be," remarked one of them late the other afternoon with an expression of weariness on his face as he looked down at lower Broadway filled with men homeward bound. "People think we live high up in pleasant rooms, with a fine view and the purest of air, flower gardens on the roofs and the breezes we get up there from the bay on warm summer nights. It all sounds well, but the job of janitor isn't a pleasant one.

"Pure air? Well, I may be an exception, but I don't think I am. I don't get it in my rooms, for the most of them open on the ventilating shaft, and I have to keep the windows shut the most of the time. You see, even on the top floor all the best rooms can be rented easily, and the janitor has to take the worst of the lot. Most of us have too much care and worry, too, to train up flower gardens, for when night comes we drop into our beds to be ready the next morning early.

"But the worst of it is that we never can get rid of the building. I get to hate mine. Working in it all day, living in it at night, I get sick of it—fairly sick. If I go off Saturday afternoon or of a Sunday, I've always got that building on my mind and always the thought that I must get back to it that night.

"We get to envy the men that have homes to go to, for by the time 8 o'clock comes it gets lonely down here. The most of the men who have been working in the building are now amusing themselves miles away. Sometimes, on the rare occasions, I get up town o' nights. I feel coming back down to that gloomy heap that I'll resign tomorrow.

"Rent is free, yes, but you get so much less wages, so there's not even money in the job. To show you how some of us feel, there are several janitors who have their homes in other parts of the city and actually pay rent when they could get free rooms, merely to get some relief from the monotony of our lonely building."—New York Herald.

Long Sentence.

It was the desire of Rev. Augustus Jessopp, for many years a country clergyman in England, to be welcomed by his people as a neighbor and friend rather than as a clergyman; but he confesses that he was often pulled up by a reminder more or less reproachful that if he had forgotten his vocation, his host had not! "Ever been to Tombland fair, Mrs. Cawl?" he asked during a parochial visit, which he describes in "The Trials of a Country Parson."

Mrs. Cawl had a perennial flow of words, which came from her lips in a steady, unceasing and deliberate monotone, a slow trickle of verbiage without the semblance of a stop. She began:

"Never been to no fairs sin' I was a girl, bless the Lord, nor mean to 'xcept once when my Betsy went to place and father told me to take her to a show, and there was a giant, and a dwarf dressed in a green petticoat like a monkey on an organ, and I says to Betsy my dear they's the works of the Lord but they hadn't ought to be showed but as the works of the Lord to be had in remembrance, and don't you think sir as when they shows the works of the Lord they'd ought to begin with a little prayer?"

Mr. Jessopp admits that he had no reply at hand, and believes that Mrs. Cawl ever afterward privately considered him an irreverent heathen.

A Nice Question of Law.

A wealthy German, intent upon a day's outing, wanted to hire a horse dealer's best horse and trap, but not knowing his man, the horse dealer demurred at trusting them in his hands. Determined to have his drive, the German proposed paying for the horse and the vehicle, promising to sell them back at the same price when he returned. To that the other saw no objection, so his customer's wants were supplied, and off he went.

He was back in time at the stables, his money reimbursed according to contract, and he turned to go.

"Hold on," exclaimed the dealer, "you have forgotten to pay for the hire."

"My dear sir," was the cool reply, "there is no hiring in the case. I have been driving my own horse and trap all day," and he left the astonished man to his reflections.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Sure Cure.

He—I understand you have been attending an ambulance class. Can you tell me what is the best thing to do for a broken heart?

She—Oh, yes. Bind up the broken portion with a gold band, bathe with orange blossom water and apply plenty of raw rice. Guaranteed to be well in a month.—London Tit-Bits.

Horace appears in good humor while he censures, and therefore his censure has the more weight as supposed to proceed from judgment, not from passion.—Young.

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9 50		Ar..Jacksonville......Lv		12 05
11 00	3 88	Lv " Ar	10 42	10 26
11 56	4 30	Lv..Maysville.........Lv	10 09	9 18
12 30	4 44	Lv..Pollocksville.....Lv	9 55	8 50
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DAILY 7.15 P M No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.55 p m, Warsaw 9.10 p m, Goldsboro 10.10 p m, Wilson 11.06 p m, †Tarboro 6.45 a m, Rocky Mount 11.55 p m, Weldon 1.44 a m, †Norfolk 10.30 a m, Petersburg 3.29 a m, Richmond 4.30 a m, Washington 7.41 a m, Baltimore 9.03 a m, Philadelphia 11.25 a m, New York 2.03 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

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Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 3 40 p m; returning leave Parmele 9 50 a m and 6 30 p m, arrives Washington 11 25 a m and 7.30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

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Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7 10 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 8.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield 9 00 a m, arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 10 25 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leave Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 9 15 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 10 a m, arrive Latta 9.30 a m, Dillon 9 42 a m, Rowland 10 00 a m, returning leaves Rowland 5 38 p m, arrives Dillon 5.56 p m, Latta 6.09 p m, Pee Dee 6.30 p m, daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 1.00 p m, leave Conway 2 25 p m, Chadbourn 5.30 p m, arrive Hub 6.00 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8 55 a m, 9 40 a m and 8 00 p m, arrive Darlington 9 28 a m, 10 20 a m and 8 20 p m, leave Darlington 9 31 a m and 10 40 a m, arrive Cheraw 10 40 a m and 12 30 p m., leave Cheraw 12 45 p m, arrive Wadesboro 2 25 p m. Returning leave Wadesboro 3 p m, arrive Cheraw 4 45 p m, leave Cheraw 4 45 p m and 5 15 p m, arrive Darlington 7.10 p m and 6 21 p m. Leave Darlington 7 15 p m, 6 27 and 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8.40 p m, 6 55 p m and 8 15 a m, daily except Sunday. Sunday trains leave Floyds 7 30 a m, Darlington 7 45 a m, arrive Florence 8 10 a m. Returning leave Florence 9 a m, Darlington 9 30 a m, arrive Floyds 9 40 a m. Trains leave Gibson 6.15 a m, Bennettsville 6 41 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m, Sumter 9 35 a m. Returning, leave Sumter 6 45 p m, Darlington 8.35 p m, arrive Bennettsville 9 26 p m, Gibson 9 5) p m.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 37 p m, Manning 6.53 p m, arrive Lane's 7 37 p m, leave Lanes 8.26 a m, Manning 9.05 a m, arrive Sumter 9.35 a m. Daily.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.10 p m, arrive Selma 2.50 p m, Smithfield 2.58 p m, Dunn 3.35 p m, Fayetteville 4.15 p m, 1.07 a m, Rowland 5.38 p m, returning leave Rowland 10 00 a m, Fayetteville 11.20 a m, 10.20 p m, Dunn 12.07 a m, Smithfield 12.48 p m, Selma 1.00 p m, arrive Wilson 1.40 p m, 12.10 p m.

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Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5 45 a m, arrive Pregnalls 9 15 a m. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10 p m, arrives Creston 3 50 p m. Daily except Sunday.

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7 45 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lv	7 10 a. m.
4 25 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	11 00 "
4 18 "	Ar..Fayetteville...Lv	11 21 "
4 12 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	11 27 "
2 55 "	Lv....Sanford.....Lv	1 00 p. m.
12 41 "	Lv.....Climax......Lv	2 50 "
12 10 "	Lv....Greensboro...Ar	3 18 "
11 55 a m	Ar....Greensboro....Lv	3 25 "
11 07 "	Lv....Stokesdale....Lv	4 10 "
10 38 "	Lv..Walnut Cove...Lv	4 40 "
10 04 "	Lv....Rural Hall...Lv	5 10 "
8 40 "	Lv.....Mt Airy.....Ar	6 35 "

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 3.	Bennettsville Division.	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 4.
7 52 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 20 a. m
6 17 "	Lv......Maxton.....Ar	9 40 "
5 38 "	Lv...Red Springs....Lv	10 18 "
4 45 "	Lv....Hope Mills....Lv	11 01 "
4 28 "	Lv....Fayetteville...Ar	11 19

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6 00 p m	Ar.....Ramseur......Lv	6 45 a. m
4 15 "	Lv.....Climax.......Lv	8 35 "
3 20 "	Lv...Greensboro....Ar	9 60 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. [illegible] MIXED daily ex. [illegible]
Leave Greensboro	9 25
Leave Stokesdale	10 47
Arrive Madison	11 56

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Leave Madison	12 8
Leave Stokesdale	1 2[illegible]
Arrive Greensboro	2 40

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APRIL 5th, 1896.		No. 41	No. 403
Leave Wilmington,	S. A. L.	P. M. * 3 20	A M
Arrive Maxton	"	6 12	
Arrive Hamlet	"	6 58	
Leave Hamlet	"	7 15	* 9 10
Arrive Wadesboro	"	8 01	9 59
Arrive Monroe	"	8 56	10 40
Leave Monroe	"	9 10	10 45
Arrive Charlotte	"	10 20	11 35
Arrive Lincolnton	"		P. M. 12 58
Arrive Shelby	"		1 58
Arrive Rutherfordton	"		3 00
Leave Hamlet	S. A. L.	A. M. † 9 25	
Arrive Osborne	"	9 50	
" Kollock	"	10 25	
" Cheraw	"	10 4[illegible]	
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" Clinton	"	11 58	P. M. 1 20
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" Abbeville	"	1 32	2 5[illegible]
" Elberton	"	2 36	4 00
" Athens	"	3 38	5 1[illegible]
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Arrive Mobile	L. & N.	P. M. 4 10	
" New Orleans		* 8 30	
Arrive Columbia	C. N. & L.	A. M. *10 00	P. M. * 4 3[illegible]
Arrive Augusta	P. R. & W. C.	A. M. * 9 35	P. M. * 5 0[illegible]
Arrive Macon	M. & N.		P. M. * 6 4[illegible]

EAST AND NORTH

APRIL 5th, 1896.		No. 38	No. 402
Leave Wilmington	S. A. L.		P. M. * 3 20
Arrive Hamlet	"	A. M. * 8 15	11 2[illegible]
Leave Hamlet	"	* 9 15	11 37
Arrive Southern Pines	"		A. M. 1 2[illegible]
" Raleigh	"	11 26	
" Henderson	"	P. M. 1 00	3 3[illegible]
" Weldon	"	* 3 00	* 4 0[illegible]
Arrive Portsmouth	S. A. L.	P. M. * 5 50	* 7 3[illegible]
" Norfolk	"	6 00	8 [illegible]
Arrive Richmond	A. C. L.	P. M. * 6 40	A. M. * 6 [illegible]
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WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 16, 1896

THE DEATH OF MACEO.

Spanish Authorities Claim That He Was Killed in Battle at Punta Brava.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 15.—The Spanish Legation here furnishes the following translation of a cablegram received to-night:

Madrid, December 15—To Spanish Minister, Washington: "Maceo's death took place in a loyal fight at Punta Brava, and was caused by our soldiers' bullets. This is evidently proved by the letter written by the son of Maximo Gomez, in which he states that he killed himself in order not to abandon the body of his general. The handwriting of the letter has been verified and also every detail of the fight, time and circumstances, when Maceo and the son of Gomez were wounded. All these details have been published in Europe by telegrams from both Spanish and foreign correspondents.

"[Signed] TETUAN."

The Legation attached to the cablegram a note saying that the Spanish Legation at Washington "hopes to discover the origin of the report of Maceo's assassination, and to trace it to a certain Cuban resident in Jacksonville." The note further says that the presence in Jacksonville of several newspaper correspondents at the time of the reported assassination of Maceo "explains the whole circulation of the slander."

TROUBLE FEARED

At the Execution of Young Hatfield to Take Place at Sneedville, Tennessee, To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KNOXVILLE, Dec. 15.—Maired Hatfield, a youth 19 years old, will be executed at Sneedville, the county seat of Hancock county, to-morrow for the murder of Jones Trail, last March. It will be the first legal execution ever enacted in the county and much trouble is feared from friends of the condemned man, who threaten to release him. Sheriff Battery has erected a gallows on the north side of the town and the execution is planned to be in private. The mountaineers declare that this shall not be and it is believed that the enclosure will be torn down. The jail is being heavily guarded to-night in order to prevent an escape or an attempt to release the prisoner. The condemned man is a relative of the Hatfields who have become famous through the feuds which they have waged for years with the McKoy faction. Reports from Sneedville to-night say that already large crowds of people are beginning to come into the town.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 15.—The *Sun* says: Spot cotton here advanced one-sixteenth of a cent, with sales of 53 bales for spinning; 1,800 were delivered on contract; middling uplands 7 8 16c; against 8 9 16c last year; New Orleans and Gulf 7 7 16c, against 8@3 8-16c last year. The trading to-day was less active, but there was less pressure to sell; in fact, there was more pressure to buy than to sell and prices advanced, closing at the highest figures of the day. The receipts at the ports and the interior towns were again heavy but the Liverpool news was better than had been expected, in view of the sharp break here yesterday, while the estimates for New Orleans and Houston to-morrow were moderate. There was a slight reaction at one time, due to heavy receipts at the ports and the interior towns, but that loss was soon recovered. The cheapness of the price attracted some outside orders to buy, and Liverpool and New Orleans bought here. A Liverpool cable said that Neill would issue a circular advising purchase of cotton at present prices.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

May Wheat, Corn and Oats Weak and Lower—Pork Products Declined.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, December 15.—May wheat opened from 82⅝ to 81⅞c, declined to 81c, closing at 81@81⅛—1@1⅛c under yesterday. Cash wheat was easy and 1c per bushel lower.

May corn opened at 25⅛c, declined to and closed at 25⅛c—⅛@⅛c under yesterday. Cash corn was easy to ⅛c per bushel lower.

May oats closed ⅛@⅛c per bushel lower. Cash oats were steady for good grades.

Provisions—A weak hog market entered into consideration in product. Very little trading took place, the business transacted being local and professional. The weakness of the grain markets was an unfavorable circumstance, causing some selling for local account. May pork closed 7½c lower; May lard 5c lower, and May ribs 2½@5c lower.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Frank Gannon to Be Third Vice President and General Manager of the System in January.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 15.—Frank Gannon, general manager of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Company and one of the general superintendents of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad lines east of the Ohio river, is in January to become third vice president and general manager of the Southern Railway. He has been with the Baltimore & Ohio for ten years. He was previously general superintendent of the New York & Northern Railroad, which is now called the New York & Putnam Railroad. W. W. Finley, second vice president of the Southern Railway, is now performing the duties of general manager.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 15.—Rosin quiet; strained common to good $1 80 @1 82½. Spirits turpentine quiet at 26½ @27½c.

CHARLESTON, December 15.—Spirits turpentine firm at 24½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels; A, B, C, D, E $1 40, F G $1 45, H $1 55, I, $1 60, K $1 65, M $1 80, N $2 00, W G $2 25, W W $2 55.

SAVANNAH, December 15.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25c; sales 1,454 casks; receipts 1 639 casks. Rosin firm; sales 6 000 barrels; receipts 9 648 barrels; A, B, C, D, E F $1 40@1 45, G $1 45@1 50, H $1 55, I $1 65, K $1 70, M $1 90, N $2 10, W G $2 30, W W $2 60.

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THE CUBAN QUESTION

DISCUSSED BY SENATOR MORGAN OF ALABAMA.

He Argued That the United States Should at Once Intervene to Put an End to the War in Cuba—Holiday Recess Resolution Agreed To—Unimportant Business in the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, December 15.—Senator Morgan, Democrat, of Alabama, occupied more than an hour in the Senate to-day in presenting arguments to show why the United States should at once intervene to put an end to the war in Cuba. He declared that the people and the fruits of the island were made the prey of commissioned guerillas, who had become robbers, cutthroats, assassins, ravishers and pirates, and he said that if the United States were to intervene at all he would prefer open war and would vote for it.

At the conclusion of Mr. Morgan's speech the resolution offered by him yesterday, requesting the President to communicate papers relating to the condition of affairs in Cuba, was agreed to.

A resolution for an inquiry into the corrupt use of money in the late Presidential election, was offered by Mr. Allen, Populist, Nebraska, and was, under the rule, referred to the Committee on Contingent Expenses.

The concurrent resolution for the holiday recess from Tuesday, December 22d, to Tuesday, January 5th, was reported back from the Committee on Appropriations and agreed to.

After a short executive session the Senate at 3 p. m. adjourned until to-morrow.

At the suggestion of Senator Vest, the Senate Committee on Finance this morning decided to defer until after the holidays the consideration of the nomination of David R. Francis, of Missouri, to be Secretary of the Interior and William S. Forman, of Illinois, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue. There appears to be a lining up of silver forces to postpone action on all nominations where Democrats have been named, who have been conspicuous as "bolters" from the ticket nominated at Chicago.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House to-day rather unexpectedly entered upon the consideration of the bill of Mr. Loud of California, Republican, to amend the postal law relating to second class matter, and it was the unfinished business when adjournment occurred at 4 30 o'clock.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND

Invited to Visit Charleston Before Returning to Washington—Killed Twenty-Eight Ducks Yesterday—Will Go Deer-Driving To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 15.—Mayor Smythe has extended an invitation to President Cleveland to visit Charleston before his return to Washington, and to-day Rev. Dr. Vedder, president of the New England Society of Charleston, sent an invitation to Mr. Cleveland to be the guest of the Society at its 77th anniversary celebration, on Forefather's Day, December 22nd. If the President shall accept the invitation his reception here will be made an event in the history of this city.

A special to the *News and Courier* from Georgetown, S. C., says: President Cleveland and party pitched camp at Ford's Point, which is at the southern extremity of South Island, yesterday morning and have been shooting ducks in the preserves of Gen. Alexander to-day. After a very heavy rain, which fell during most of last night, the wind veered to the north and it has been cloudy all day, with a good breeze blowing, which is usually propitious for the duck hunters. From the fact that the party has remained at this one point since yesterday, the inference is drawn that they have had good sport. Telephonic reports received this evening from South Island station, which is five miles distant from the shooting preserves, are to the effect that the party killed some sixty odd fine mallards, twenty-eight of which were brought down by the President's own gun. To-morrow the President and party will be given the pleasure of a deer drive which has been arranged for them by Gen. Alexander and Capt. W. M. Hazzard. The scope of country owned by these gentlemen abounds in wild deer, and is conceded to be the finest hunting grounds in the State. There is hardly a doubt but that President Cleveland will kill at least one fine buck. From what can be learned of President Cleveland's plans, it is understood that he has come here for a little recreation and for good sport, and will remain until his wishes are gratified.

The Weather Bureau predicts clear, cool weather for to-morrow, which will make it an ideal day for hunting.

ASSIGNMENT ACT.

The N. C. Supreme Court Acquits Enrolling Clerk Brown of the Charge of Fraudulently Enrolling the Act.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., December 15.—The Supreme Court this evening ended a very notable case. Almost a year ago Enrolling Clerk Brown, of the Legislature, was tried and convicted on a charge of fraudulently permitting to be enrolled a bill to regulate assignments, said bill never having passed any readings in either branch of the Legislature but having been unfavorably reported and tabled. Brown appealed to the Supreme Court, which now unanimously reverses the lower court and finds there was not the least evidence of fraud on Brown's part. This Assignment Act, which was enrolled and signed by the Speakers of both branches of the Legislature, was not discovered until several days after the Legislature had adjourned. It is the first case of the kind on record in North Carolina.

STORM AT NORFOLK.

All the Lower Section of the City Under Water—Telegraph Wires Down.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, Dec. 15.—The storm which prevailed along the coast to-day was very severe here and did considerable damage to wires. The Weather Bureau lost its wires down the coast at noon and so far no wrecks have been reported. All the lower section of this city is under water to a depth of from six to twelve inches, but this fact does not indicate that any especial damage has been done thereby, as it is the usual thing when an unusually high tide prevails. Communication with Atlantic City and Brambleton wards is cut off by the water, but the street cars will probably be able to reach these points in the morning. The schooner Ann J. Bentley, which was wrecked at Ocean View during the last big storm, went to pieces early to-day. She was in the pine lumber trade between James River and New York.

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TARIFF LEGISLATION.

Republicans Concerned About the Senatorial Situation in North Carolina.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 15.—In an interview on the Senatorial situation in North Carolina, Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, a member of the National Republican Committee, said to-night:

"The Republicans seem certain of forty-two seats in the next Senate. If Mr. Mantle, of Montana, should act with us, as I hope he will, at least on tariff matters, we will have forty-three. We would then need at least two more votes together with the vote of the Vice President to secure the passage of a tariff act. We hope to secure those two votes from Kentucky and North Carolina.

"The members of the National Committee, so far as I know their sentiments, are very anxious that a Republican tariff measure should become operative at the beginning of the next fiscal year—July 1st. It seems almost evident that no tariff legislation of a satisfactory character can pass Congress and became a law this session. The expectation is that such a law can be passed at an extraordinary session, to be called soon after the 4th of March.

"For myself, I feel that all proposed financial legislation can be and ought to be postponed until this country has a chance to test the new protective tariff. We are, therefore, not interested very much now about any money issue. But it is the greatest importance to have enough Senators thoroughly committed to the protective policy to secure the passage of a tariff bill."

The Senator then goes on to say that Senator Pritchard is known to be a strong protectionist and the National Committee feels certain, therefore, that in spite of his silver view he would be willing to assist in passing a tariff act with reasonable protective provisions. The committee does not think he would carry his friendship for silver to the extent of trying to force a free silver amendment on a tariff bill. It regards it as probable that Senator Pritchard's vote may be necessary to secure the passage of a Republican tariff measure and that if he is defeated the protectionists will be one more vote short in the Senate, and as a result the country may be left to suffer under the Wilson bill without any chance of relief for the next two or three years. Senator Thurston thinks the question of silver or gold should not enter into the contest for a tariff measure.

EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

Report of the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics at Washington, D. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 15.—The Chief of the Bureau of statistics reports that the total values of the exports of merchandise from the United States during the month of November, 1896 and during the eleven months ended November 30th, as compared with similar exports during the corresponding periods of the preceding year, were as follows: November, 1896—$109,091,987, 1895 — $87,312,581. Eleven months ended November 30, 1896—$888,690,869, 1895—$789,468,300.

In November last the exports exceeded the imports by $59 058 885. In November, 1895, the excess of exports over imports was $23,967,764. During the eleven months ended November 30th, 1896, the excess of exports over imports was $266 086 709 and the excess of imports over exports for the corresponding period of the preceding year was $7,187,281. In November, 1896, the imports of gold exceeded the exports by $6 924,148, and during the eleven months ended November 30th, 1896, the excess of imports of gold over exports was $48 860,498. The excess of exports of silver over imports during the eleven months ended November 30, 1896, was $44,985,015.

DISSATISFIED WITH WEYLER.

Rumor Current That He Will be Succeeded by Gen. Marin If the Situation in Cuba Does Not Improve.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, Dec. 15.—The dissatisfaction with General Weyler's conduct of affairs in Cuba grows apace here. The ministerial papers complain about his returning to Havana to receive an undeserved ovation instead of vigorously pursuing the insurgents in the province of Pinar del Rio. Other papers resent Gen. Weyler's alleged suppression of telegrams recording the ovations to Major Cirujeda upon the receipt of the news that his command had defeated a largely superior force of rebels and killed their leader, Maceo. This action is attributed to jealousy on the part of General Weyler, who, the papers claim, desires to have no one share with him the honor of suppressing the insurrection. Credible rumors are current that the Government is not at all satisfied with General Weyler's administration of the civil and military affairs and that if the situation in Cuba does not shortly improve it will substitute in his place General Marin, at present Governor of Porto Rico.

CONGRESS PETITIONED

By the Board of Aldermen of New York City to Stop the Barbarities and Inhumanities of Spaniards in Cuba.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 15.—The following petition was signed by the members of the Board of Aldermen to-day:

"*To the Congress of the United States:* —We, the undersigned citizens of the United States, do most respectfully petition your honorable body to use your influence to stop the barbarities and inhumanities now being practiced upon the people of Cuba by the monarchy of Spain. The civilized world stands aghast at the atrocities committed there under the guise of law, many of which were committed upon citizens of this country, and therefore call for intervention on its part. We do respectfully pray that the Congress of the United States take cognizance of the fact that war is now being waged in Cuba; that the people thereof may enjoy political freedom, and that the people of Cuba in their efforts for success have the sympathy and best wishes of the people of the United States.

SHOT TO DEATH.

Execution of a Murderer in Rich County, Utah

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SALT LAKE CITY, December 15.—Pat Coughlin was executed in Rich county, this State, to-day for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Dawes and Constable Stagg in July, 1895. Coughlin chose shooting as the manner of death. He was pinioned, blindfolded and seated in a stationary chair, and six deputies fired simultaneously, aiming at the heart, over which a piece of white paper was fastened. Every shot pierced the mark and death was instantaneous. Coughlin was about 25 years age, a native of Pennsylvania and came to this State when quite young. For some years he was considered a hard character.

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LUMBERMEN IN CONFERENCE

To Secure National Tariff Legislation in Their Interest—Twenty-One States Represented.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, December 15.—Lumbermen from all over the United States gathered at the Grand Hotel this morning for the convention, which was called to order at 10 o'clock by J. E Defabaugh, editor of *The Timber Men*. Twenty-one States were represented with delegates numbering 150. Special representatives were in attendance from all the prominent lumber organizations throughout the country. Mr. Defabaugh stated that the object of the convention was to secure national tariff legislation favoring lumber interests and to select an executive committee to prepare a memorial Congress.

The following officers were chosen: President, C. W. Goodyear, of Pennsylvania; vice presidents, H. C. Tunis, of Maryland, and E F. Skinner, of Florida; secretary, C. W. Wells, of Illinois.

A ways and means committee, whose duties shall be the ascertaining of what tariff legislation is demanded for the best interests of the lumbermen of the country and to devise ways and means for its accomplishment, was appointed, consisting of members from South Atlantic States, Middle South, Southwest, New England, New York, Pennsylvania, Northwest and Pacific coast.

The Ways and Means Committee was authorized to draw upon industries represented for sufficient funds to meet their needs. Resolutions were adopted asking Congress to place lumber on the dutiable list; requesting the lumber dealers to furnish to Senators and Representatives full information in relation to the needs and condition of the lumber industry, and invoking the aid of Congress in bringing about reciprocity with southern countries. The delegates then attended a banquet at the Grand Hotel.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

The Democratic Fusion Ticket Elected at Lynn, Mass.—Republican Aldermen Chosen at Boston.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LYNN, MASS, December 15.—The workingmen of Lynn effected a political overturn to-day by electing the Democratic, Citizens' Reform and Peoples' party fusion Mayoralty candidate, W. T. Ramsdell, over the Republican nominee, Chas. H. Baker, ex State Senator. The no-license majority last year was overturned heavily, the city going for Lyons—yeas 6,196, nays 3,921; a majority of 2,275. The Republicans elect eight out of the nine aldermen.

BOSTON, December 15.—Returns from the city election are coming in very slowly; only about ten of the twenty-eight wards are complete at midnight. From the figures already at hand it looks as though the Republicans had elected all seven of the aldermen who were voted for to day. The city has voted for Lyons but the majority cannot be ascertained. John H. Duane (Dem) is elected a street commissioner over Benjamin M. Cram (Rep.) by a small majority.

Up to 1 o'clock all but one of the one hundred and ninety precincts in the city had reported, but the footing for all candidates were not made until considerably later. The Republicans gained one alderman over last year. The common council will stand forty-one Democrats to thirty-four Republicans, against forty-five Democrats and thirty Republicans last year.

SPAIN'S TROUBLES.

The Revolution in the Philippine Islands Spreading Rapidly.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, December 15.—A dispatch to the *Imparcial* from Manila, capital of the Philippine Islands, says that the rebellion in those islands is spreading and bands of insurgents infest the outskirts of the city of Manila. Advices from the Caroline and Marianne Islands say that risings are imminent there.

The Cabinet council which was held yesterday decided to purchase the English transport steamer Prince of Wales in order to expedite the transportation of troops to Manila, and also decided to purchase a complete equipment of rifles for the troops.

Additional advices from Manila says that the natives of the island of Mindanao have revolted, and the insurgents have been joined by numbers of deserters from the native troops. The insurgents, who are numerous around Manila, are becoming very bold, often approaching near enough to the town to fire into it. The situation is admitted to be very grave at Manila, and is equally as bad at Cavite, where 150 prisoners revolted, killed six soldiers, seized a quantity of arms and tried to unite the native inhabitants to attack the garrison. The revolters were frustrated, however, and the garrison shot the rebels down in the streets. During the night there was a general massacre of rebels, and on the following morning many of the revolting prisoners were recaptured and shot.

KENTUCKY'S SENATORSHIP.

Gov. Bradley Claims the Right to Appoint a Successor to Blackburn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LOUISVILLE, December 15.—Governor Bradley has given the *Courier-Journal* a signed statement concerning the prospective Senatorial vacancy and the manner of filling it. Blackburn's term expires March 4th. The last Legislature failed to elect.

Gov. Bradley contends that a special session held before there is a vacancy cannot elect, and also that after March 4th he can appoint a Senator, who will be seated, and cites numerous cases. The Faulkner case, he claims, is not a parallel, and he also takes positive issue with Senator Chandler.

In the whole interview, however, he drops nothing that he will do if he calls an early special session of the Legislature. He will surely appoint, but he may not call the session until after March 4th.

TEXAS WAR FEELING.

Ten Thousand Men Ready to Aid the Cubans in Their Struggle for Freedom.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DALLAS, December 15.—George N. Beach, a labor leader of local and State prominence, announces to-day that he has organized a company of twenty picked men to go to Cuba. They will depart for Galveston to-night and find means there for getting secretly to the island. Judged by sentiment and surface indications, North Texas could furnish from 5 000 to 10 000 men on short notice if equipment and transportation could be procured. There has been no such intense war feeling in this section in a quarter of a century as exists now against Spain. The death of Gen. Maceo and the manner in which it was brought about have warmed Texas fighting blood to fever heat.

The Daily *Morning* and *Evening Times* newspaper plant, Washington, D C., has been purchased by Mr. Stilson Hutchins, the founder and for twelve years owner of the Washington *Post*. Mr. Hutchins took possession yesterday and has placed Mr. John H. Oberly, formerly Civil Service Commissioner, an experienced newspaper man, in charge. The price paid for the paper is understood to have been in excess of $900,000.

Treasury balances: Coin, $131,558,765; currency, $45,500,968.

WARM WIRELETS.

Jos. Roberts, a lumber merchant of Montreal, has assigned, with liabilities of nearly $150,000.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals has granted the motion of Scott Jackson's attorney for thirty days in which to file a petition for a rehearing.

The official vote of Arkansas at the recent Presidential election was as follows: Democratic, 110,103; Republican, 37,512; National, 893; Prohibition, 839.

It is reported the Three Friends passed Key West about 12 o'clock yesterday heading southwest. She was under all sails and a full head of steam.

The *Evening Press*, of Columbus, Ohio, calls a meeting of citizens Friday evening to take action in behalf of the Cuban patriots in their struggle for freedom.

A gale of wind accompanied by snow and sleet struck New York city last night. At Sandy Hook the wind reached a velocity of fifty-two miles an hour.

At Augusta, Ga., yesterday morning, Louis Prager shot and fatally wounded John Smith, colored, who was employed as a puller-in, in front of a rival store. Prager was arrested.

Einathan Hall of the Knoxville College, a four-story building for young ladies, was burned yesterday. The loss is estimated at $25 000, and is supposed to have been insured.

The furniture factories in Grand Rapids, Mich., are employing more men now than at any time in the last six months. The number of men employed is between 1,500 and 2,000 more than on November 1st.

A dispatch from Constantinople says that the Sultan has consented to the granting of amnesty to Armenian convicts and prisoners on condition that the patriarchal mixed council guarantees their future good behavior.

At Norfolk, Va., Mr. John A. Fentress was badly hurt by the bursting of an emery wheel at the plow factory of Messrs. O'Donnell & Marsden. He was working at the wheel and a part of it struck him on the temple.

The lower House of the Georgia Legislature passed the Calvin anti-trust bill, which prohibits any combination, trust or arrangement by which full competition in the manufacture or sale of any commodity is prevented.

The Timothy Dry Goods Company, of Chattanooga, Tenn., has made a trust deed of all their property. The liabilities aggregate $59,600, chiefly owing to foreign creditors. Assets, estimated, are between $100,000 and $150,000.

Eighty-five strong, intelligent men, well up in military drilling, left Boston Monday night for Cuba. They were in command of Louis Marshall, who has seen service in actual warfare as corporal in the army during the war between the States.

A meeting was held at Homestead, Pa., last night to form a military company to go to Cuba to assist the patriots in their struggle for liberty. Thirty five young men were enrolled. Correspondence will be opened at once with the Junta at New York.

A company of three hundred men, with cannon and other arms, will leave Denver in a few days to cast their fate with the Cuban insurgents. The men will be under the leadership of Dr. H. L. Darnell, who has a brother in the Cuban Junta in New York city.

The American Wire Nail Works, Anderson, Ind., were put in full capacity last night by additional forces being added to the galvanizing department. The Union Steel Works at Alexandria, and the Anderson Window Glass Works also resumed fully yesterday.

The Boston *Herald* says it has been decided that there will be fewer banks in Boston, and that those which go out of business will do so by the usual process of liquidation. It is probable that six or eight banks will be dropped and that one large institution will be established in their stead.

Judge Lacombe, of the United States Circuit Court, New York, denies the application for a preliminary injunction on behalf of the United States against the United States and Hayti Cable Company, to prevent the cable company and its allies from making a connection with the cable now running ten miles to sea off Coney Island.

Indignation of Cubans of Jacksonville and American friends of Cuba over the reported cowardly assassination of Gen. Antonio Maceo under a flag of truce, was expressed by a torchlight procession and mass meeting at Jacksonville, Fla. Speeches denunciatory of General Weyler and the Spanish Government were made by prominent citizens.

Daughters of Presidents.

Presidents' daughters are quite numerously in evidence in Washington just now. Among those in attendance at recent social functions in Washington Mrs. Sartoris, Mrs. Stanley Brown and Mrs. McKee, daughters respectively of Presidents Grant, Garfield and Harrison, have been conspicuous. To this list of presidents' daughters in Washington the name of Mrs. Semple, daughter of President Tyler, should be added. Mrs. Semple is and has been for a number of years an inmate of the Louise home, the ideal retreat for aged women which Washington owes to the generosity of W. W. Corcoran, who founded and named it in memory of his wife and daughter. Ill health and advancing age have long prevented Mrs. Semple from taking part in social festivities, but her mind is clear, her memory unimpaired, her intellect vigorous, her knowledge of the history of the country deep and comprehensive. It is not strange, therefore, that this representative of a period long gone by should not be the least interesting of this quartet of women who at different times have lived in the White House.—Washington Letter.

Thankful For Daughters.

Miss Harriet Keyser, the well known suffragist speaker of New York, says that the other day her German shoemaker remarked to her: "Do you know I am very thankful that I have only one son; that three of my children are daughters? I must be always paying my boy's debts, but my girls all work and bring their earnings to me to help along. I don't see what I would do if I had another son to worry me." As Miss Keyser justly observes, how different this speech is from the old notion that daughters were to be taken care of, and that a son was a blessing sought much more than the merely tolerated girl!

A Scotch Postwoman.

Miss Catherine Horsley is a rural postwoman, whose beat is from Longniddry to Seton castle, in Scotland. She holds an established appointment, dated Feb. 1, 1884, and has two good conduct stripes. The postmaster of Haddington, under whom she serves, informs St. Martin's-le-Grand that she gets through all the duties required of her with care, and with the confidence of her chief. She performs two rural deliveries, together with apparatus and station services.

She Prefers Madame.

Mme. Calve is an admirer of the American woman. "To know her is to want to be as she is," is her flattering verdict. Nevertheless she resents our unmusical title of miss and prefers to be known as madame. She has had no time for marriage, so she asserts, but is no longer youthful enough to be known as mademoiselle. In Europe the more dignified madame is conferred on ripening years, and Calve boldly declares she has won the right to its distinction.

Hydroelectric Power.

There are not many instances from which reliable data of actual working can be had. Geneva, with but one-eightieth of the population of London, has a system which gives her hydraulic power and electric light at a small proportion of the price in London. It can be had for one-third the London price at points close to falls, and is far cheaper than gas. But, alas, we have not the Swiss mountains, with their many gorges, at our doors, and if we seek the distant sources the problems of transmission come in.

As to capital cost, water power plant of modern design and suitable for quite small falls may be constructed at £19 to £20 per horsepower. For large installations the capital cost is but £10 or so. The steam engine on a similar basis would cost £20 to £25, and Dowson's gas engine system about £17. At moderate efficiency the water power will involve a working expenditure of about £3 to £4 per horsepower per annum, the steam engine of £8 and the Dowson gas engine of £6 10s., assuming the engine to be worked 3,000 hours in the year. In working an electric light station the efficiency of the steam engine is low, for reasons which need not be discussed here, so that it is apparent that, given a fall, power can easily be got for the same capital outlay as for other motors, in some cases for much less, while the working cost is only one-half.—Good Words.

To Run the Gantlet.

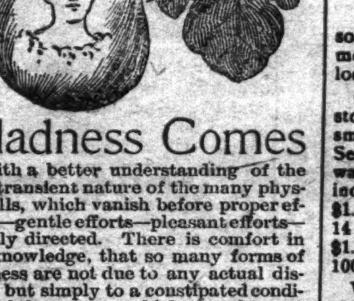
"To run the gantlet" originated in Germany and traveled thence to England, finally becoming domesticated in America. In both the German and English armies and navies, about the time of the settlement of America, running the gantlet was a punishment for misdemeanor, the soldiers of a company or regiment being placed in two lines facing each other, each man armed with a switch. The culprit ran between the two files and received upon his bare back the switches of his comrades. An officer stood by to see that the punishment was properly enforced, and any soldier who failed to do his duty was himself liable to make the journey between the two files. The Indians along the coast of Virginia are said to have observed this punishment inflicted upon some sailors of an English man-of-war and immediately adopted the idea for torturing their enemies. Hence came the belief that the punishment or torture was peculiar to the aborigines of North America.

Ravages of Absinth.

M. Rochefort's recent advocacy of temperance has directed attention to the consumption of absinth in France, and some startling statements in connection therewith are being made. Men as a rule take the absinth diluted in water, sipping it slowly. But the women, to the consternation of the doctors, insist, as a rule, on drinking it "neat," with most terrible results to their constitutions. The number of brilliant men whom France has lost through the abuse of the opalescent but poisonous fluid, from the great poet Alfred de Musset, who used to be picked up drunk and half dead every night in the streets, down to the celebrated artist and caricaturist, Andre Gill, is simply appalling. An idea of the extent of the evil may be gathered from the recent returns of the ministry of finance, which show that at the present moment there is a marchand de vin, or French absinth seller, to every three houses in the French metropolis.—Westminster Gazette.

"Going the whole hog" was originally a piece of butcher's slang. In the colonial days of America purchasers would frequently buy a whole hog to be cut up at home; hence the butcher would ask if the customer meant to go the whole hog or wanted only a part.

If we hope for what we are not likely to possess, we act and think in vain and make life a greater dream and shadow than it really is.—Addison.



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

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Notice—Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next session of the General Assembly of North Carolina to extend and to amend the Charter of the Chamber of Commerce of Wilmington. Jas. H. Chadbourn, Jr., President. dec 13 4t

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Oat Meal Sets 75c, variety of colors. Cracker Jars 75c and $1. 5.
Salad Bowls, fancy shades, 50c each. Bread and Butter Plates 20c each.
Sugars and Creams, assorted, Pinks and Greens, $3.75 set.
Sugars and Creams, assorted, Pinks and Greens 75, 50, 35c and $1 00.
Wedgewood in Tea Pots at $2 50; Cream Pitchers at $1.00 and $1 50.
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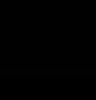

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NOTICE.

Foreclosure Sale of Real Estate.

BY VIRTUE OF A DECREE OF THE Superior Court of New Hanover county, in the cause therein pending wherein Thomas J. Gore is plaintiff and E. W. Hewlett and wife Fannie F. Hewlett are defendants, made at the September term, 1896 the undersigned Commissioner therein appointed will expose for sale, at the Court House door, on Friday, the 8th day of January, 1897, at 12 o'clock M., to the highest bidder, at public auction, for cash, all that lot of land in the City of Wilmington, N. C., bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the northern line of Dock street 110 feet west of the northwestern intersection of Eighth and Dock streets and running thence westwardly along the said northern line of Dock street 44 feet, thence northwardly parallel with Eighth street 130 feet, thence eastwardly parallel with Dock street 44 feet, and thence southwardly parallel with Eighth street 130 feet to Dock street, the beginning; the same being part of lots 4 and 5 in Block 155, in the City of Wilmington, and the same conveyed by mortgage to the plaintiff by the defendants which is recorded at pages 544 et seq. of Book No. 1? of the Records in the office of the Register of Deeds of New Hanover county, N. C. This the 8th day of December, 1896

JOHN G. MARSHALL, Commissioner.

dec 8 30t

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